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THE FIRST CHURCH

Executive Session of the Council Today.

THE FINAL DECISION WILL BE GIVEN.

It is Expected to Favor Rev. Mr. Kenngott.

Another round in the First Congregational church fight was begun this morning at 10 o'clock, when the ecclesiastical council convened for the purpose of deciding which faction should hold the pretty church.

Despite the miserable weather 32 of the 43 members of the council met at 10 o'clock in the auditorium behind closed doors, all parties being excluded.

When the meeting was called the presiding officer announced that all the evidence was in and the meeting was called for the purpose of rendering a decision if possible.

Quite a number of interested church members visited the scene of the trouble in the morning but the only information given them was conjecture and decidedly unreliable.

A reporter who started out to get opinions as to the outcome of the meeting found that sympathy superceded judgment in all cases.

It is stated, however that no matter how the result goes, the losing side will bring the matter into court and a suffering public will be obliged to bear with them for a few months to come.

Sympathy throughout the city is with Rev. Mr. Kenngott and his faithful followers.

What Mr. Richardson Says.

Hon. George F. Richardson says that the First Congregational church has ceased to exist. It was at the request of the First Trinitarian church that Mr. Richardson rendered his opinion and after reviewing the preliminaries leading up to the incorporation of the Trinitarian church he says:

"My opinion, therefore, is that chapter 404 of the Acts of the years 1887 is constitutional; that the proceedings taken for the incorporation of the First Congregational church in Lowell were in conformity to law, and that upon the granting of the charter to it under the name of the First Trinitarian Congregational church in Lowell, Mass., the voluntary association ceased to exist."

The annual meeting of the First Trinitarian church will be held next Monday evening and a notice to that effect has been posted on the door of Mechanics hall. A similar warrant was to be posted on the First church door, but the First church people would not allow it.

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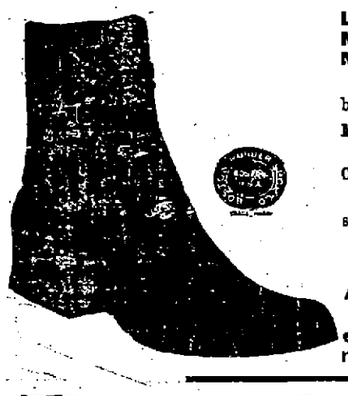

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FAMILY POISONED.

Two Children Are Already Dead From Arsenic.

Syracuse, Dec. 16.—As the result of what is suspected to be a case of arsenic poisoning, two children, Agnes and Mary Noveck, died yesterday afternoon at Solvay, near this city. Joseph Noveck, the father, and the mother and three other children are dangerously sick. One more at least will probably die. The entire family was taken sick shortly after breakfast. It is suspected that the sickness was caused by coffee. Some suspicion attaches to a woman living in the neighborhood, who, with several others, had lunched at the house the night before. It is said that she had been seen to empty the coffee pot. About two weeks ago it is claimed that she had made soup while visiting at the Noveck house, and that all who ate of it sickened in the same way as in the present case, but none died.

When you need printing remember The Sun.

LADIES CONVENE

As Auxiliary to the Hibernian Lodges.

HON. E. J. SLATTERY AND OTHER OFFICIALS.

Attend the Banquet Held This Afternoon.

The first state convention of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the A. O. H., was called to order in Hibernian hall at 11 o'clock this morning.

Previous to the meeting the delegates from the various counties talked over matters that might claim the attention of the convention, and took steps to promote the candidacy of their respective favorites for the various offices.

The convention is entitled to 126 delegates, and Middlesex, Suffolk, Worcester, Norfolk and Plymouth counties are all represented.

Hon. E. J. Slattery of South Framingham, state president, called the convention to order, and among those in attendance are John P. Mahoney of this city, one of the leading Hibernians of the state; P. F. Cannon of Clinton, state secretary; Martin J. Roche of Charlestown, state treasurer; J. W. Glynn of Springfield, state vice president; John J. Rogers, president of Worcester county; J. M. Hayes, president of Plymouth county; and P. F. Morrison of Div. 8, Clinton, one of the best divisions in the state.

This afternoon a banquet will be served in the hall at which speeches will be delivered.

SWEPT BY FIERCE GALE.

New York Harbor and Coast at the Mercy of the Wind and Falling Sleet.

New York, Dec. 16.—New York harbor and the coast for many miles was swept by a fierce gale last night. With falling sleet, and wind at 30 miles an hour, and steadily increasing, the weather officials proclaimed the long-delayed arrival of winter.

Much damage has been done, and shipping has suffered greatly as a result of the high winds. Danger signals were displayed all day, and the weather bureau warned the skippers of all kinds of craft to remain in port if they wanted to avert disaster.

One vessel which met with a mishap as the result of being at sea is the schooner Grace K. Green, which was abandoned off Long Branch yesterday afternoon. Captain Charles W. Frisbee, the mate, Edward M. Frisbee, and eight seamen were brought to this port by the steamship Yorktown of the Old Dominion line, which picked them up, when it appeared that the schooner would founder.

Shoe Shop Will Shut Down.

Manchester, N. H., Dec. 16.—As soon as the work on hand is finished, the F. M. Hoyt shoe shop in this city will shut down for an indefinite period, and about 400 people will be temporarily thrown out of employment. The cause is ascribed to the dull condition of the trade, caused by the trouble between the leather dealers and the shoe jobbers over the increase in the price of leather.

Memorial to Late Attorney Burley.

Salem, Mass., Dec. 16.—In the supreme court yesterday afternoon the members of the Essex Bar association assembled to listen to a memorial to Elbridge T. Burley, who died at Rangeley lake last summer. The memorial was presented by Colonel John T. Sweeney, and was seconded by Henry T. Moulton, president of the Essex Bar association.

Funeral of Samuel P. Putnam.

Boston, Dec. 16.—The funeral of Samuel P. Putnam, one of the victims of asphyxiation on St. Botolph street last Friday night, occurred yesterday afternoon at the undertaking rooms of Lewis Jones & Sons, Lagrange street, after which the body was taken to Forest Hills cemetery for cremation.

LOCAL NOTES.

Highland Council, Royal Arcanum worked the degree at the Centralville lodge last evening.

The Lowell Hibernian club met at Dr. Martin's office yesterday afternoon and the subject discussed was "Conduct of Labor.

Mt. Zion lodge of Good Templars held a memorial service last evening in memory of the ten members who have died since the lodge was organized.

Miss Jenny Lind Lewis has returned from New York after a successful season with the George W. Munroe Co. She will remain at home one week.

First-class clothing for positively less money than the cost of the cloth is offered this week by J. L. Chalifoux, who recently made a great purchase of seasonable goods at about 57 cents on the dollar.

Police Board.

At a regular meeting of the board of police, Tuesday night, the following licenses were grantsd:

Job and express wagon, Felix Letendre, 63 Aiken street.

Pool and billiard, Geo. Eckmal, 30 South street.

Common victuallers, Henry S. Smith 1463 Middlesex street; Samuel G. Black, 78 Rock street; Thos. Cailis, 1364 Middlesex street.

Revoked job and express, Omar St. Hilaire, Hall and Aiken streets, having sold out his business.

Greenhalge Council Officers.

Greenhalge, Council, L. A. H. A. elected the following officers last evening; councilor, C. O. S. Wheeler; vice councilor, F. A. Wilcox; orator, E. McMurtry; recorder, C. W. Whitman; chaplain, W. A. Adams; past councilor, J. S. Chandler; Collector, W. F. Sanborn; treasurer, F. P. Haggett; marshal, John Hughes; sentinel, A. W. David; trustees, Arthur Staples, three years: W. W. Johnson, two years; George A. Roper, one year.

Burglary in Pelham.

The house of D. M. Webster at Gage hill was entered Monday night by burglars and a gold and silver watch, with chains, $15 in money, two overcoats and a suit of clothes were taken from the room where two men were sleeping.

Boulger's Shoe Stores.

The Boulger boot and shoe stores will be open for business every evening until after Christmas with the largest and best line of footwear to be had in the city at prices that defy competition. They also keep a large line of rubber goods, and if you are looking for bargains do not fail to read their ad. and then call at the stores, 115 Central street and 296, cor. of Bridge and Lakeview avenue. They want your money and will give you the best values you ever got in exchange for it.

Catarrh
Is just as surely a disease of the blood as is scrofula. So say the best authorities. How foolish it is, then, to expect a cure from snuffs, inhalants, etc. The sensible course is to purify your blood by taking the best blood purifier, Hood's Sarsaparilla. This medicine has permanently cured Catarrh in a multitude of cases. It goes to the root of the trouble, which is
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MAYOR'S SALARY

The Aldermen Vote to Make It $3000.

VOTE A SIMILAR AMOUNT TO CITY SOLICITOR.

Purchasing Agent $2000—Farley Reappointed.

Every member of the board of aldermen attended the last regular meeting held last evening.

Mayor Courtney presided and called to order at 8.15. The committee on accounts submitted the report of Clarence Whidden who was employed to examine the accounts of the various departments and the report was accepted. The committee also presented an amendment to the ordinance providing for a system of keeping accounts in every department where money is received. It was referred to the committee on ordinance and legislation.

It was voted to put an electric light at the corner of Bridge and Tenth streets and a gas light on D street. Leave to withdraw was given the petitioners who asked for electric lights in Wilton avenue, West Fourth, Whipple, corner of June and Twelfth, corner of Shattuck and Middle and corner of Harvard and Chelmsford streets; for sewers in that portion of the city east of Fairmount and Boylston streets, in Tyler park, in Stevens street, in Hovey street; for abatement of sewer assessments in D street and Plain street. Henry G. Cushing was voted an abatement of sewer assessment, and a similar request from the Middlesex North Agricultural society was refused. James F. Holden was also granted an abatement of $30 on his sewer assessment.

Several reports were ordered to remain seven days in the city clerk's office.

The New England Telegraph and Telephone company was granted permission to set up poles in Nesmith and Wyman streets.

Several building permits were granted, and a few sewer assessments were approved.

The report of the committee on salaries, as already printed in the Sun, was read and accepted. The resolution authorizing the salaries as submitted by the committee was read: Alderman Dow said it is only proper that the salary of the mayor should be increased to $3000. I do not believe this sum is sufficient, but it is all that is allowed by the charter. Men fill this office at a financial loss. Other cities pay more than we do. He is called upon to pay $1000 in charities and social affairs. No matter what the politics of the mayor may be, he should receive a respectable salary. He moved as an amendment that the salary be $3000.

Alderman Fleming seconded the amendment, and Alderman Howe favored it, as he believed the duties of the mayor will be greatly increased next year.

Alderman Tryder said he believed in paying a man what he is worth, but it is a question if the city can afford to increase salaries now. The amendment passed.

Alderman Fleming moved to amend section five so as to increase the salary of the city solicitor from $2000 to $2500. An amendment to the amendment was offered to make the salary $3000 and to have the solicitor devote his whole service to the city.

The amendment was withdrawn, and the amendment to the amendment was passed.

Alderman Tucke moved to amend section 3, so that the salary of the city treasurer shall be $3000 instead of $2700.

Alderman Dow opposed the amendment. He said he thought $2700 was good compensation for the treasurer.

The amendment was defeated.

Alderman Dow moved as an amendment that the salary of the purchasing agent be $2000 instead of $2400.

The alderman said that the office is a mere experiment. It is easy to increase salaries, but it is difficult to reduce them. The amendment was passed.

The resolution as amended then passed.

Mayor Courtney nominated Philip J. Farley as trustee of the city library for five years. Alderman Dow moved to suspend the rule authorizing that all appointments remain on the table for three days. Alderman Tryder opposed suspension of the rule.

The motion passed and Mr. Farley's nomination was confirmed.

Fred Woodies was nominated and confirmed as a cemetery trustee for a term of two years.

On motion of Alderman Howe a ballot was taken for sinking fund commissioner. It resulted in the unanimous election of Fred A. Buttrick.

On motion of Alderman Tryder a vote of thanks was extended Mayor Courtney for the kind and courteous manner in which he has presided over the meetings of the board of aldermen.

Several speeches in praise of the mayor's work were delivered.

Mayor Courtney expressed his appreciation of the act of courtesy toward him. He praised the aldermen for their capable service to the city and thanked them for their kindness to him during the year.

"Every alderman has done much to help me along in my administration. There is not an alderman in this board who has not gone out of his way at some time or another to assist me. He referred to the work required of an alderman and the sacrifice he must make. In behalf of the citizens he thanked each and every one of them.

The mayor also referred to the late Alderman McAlvin as an official, faithful to the city's interests.

A vote of thanks was also extended to Chairman Tryder and City Clerk Dadman.

The board then adjourned.

Police Court—Hadley, J.

Only three drunks.

And one of them fined.

James Cleary, who, while drunk, it is claimed, voted illegally on election day, was continued until December 23.

Alfred Frezzena, Peter Couture and Joseph Myers were fined $3 each for obstructing the streets.

Everett Atkins was charged with cruelty to a horse and Nellie Atkins with giving false answers to an officer of the law. Both were held in $200 for trial Dec. 28.

David Fitzgerald was in court on complaint of Agent Knapp of the board of health for alleged violation of a city ordinance in not clearing out a vault.

THEATRICAL NEWS.

The Savoy.

"True hearts are more than coronets and simple faith than Norman blood." The trite old saying is elaborated into an interesting comedy entitled "Caste," which was presented for the first time in Lowell at the Savoy theatre, last evening, under most trying difficulties. The production was to have received its initial performance Monday evening but owing to the illness of Mr. Weston, coming unexpectedly, the opening was postponed until last evening when Mr. Charles Fleming, with only twenty-four hours preparation assumed the role with far more success than was expected, his shortcomings being quickly overshadowed by the excellent work of the other members of the company. The play itself is interesting, though by no means thrilling, and the best is made of its fine points by the seven players in the cast.

Miss Cora Edsall, the charming leading lady, made a most favorable impression upon the large and critical audience present, for in the emotional line she has been equalled but by few actresses who have entertained local audiences. In the character of Esther Eccles, Miss Edsall had no great opportunity to display her unusual talent but, nevertheless, her work last evening was superb and delighted the most critical. Possessed of a fair face, fine form and sweet voice, she acted the part of the poor but noble girl with a dignity and grace that was refreshing; ever the character never the actress.

And naive little Lydia Knott, how hard she worked. She made a distinct success last evening if she never did before and she has. There was not a flaw in her portrayal of pretty Polly Eccles, a younger sister brim full of romance. As the Marquise de St. Maur, the cold and dignified matron whose rule of life is "Noblesse Oblige," Mrs. Georgie Dickson was a success. The male characters were well portrayed, Mr. Wright perhaps a trifle stagey, for a precise critic, and with Mr. Burress the particularly successful one. In his conception of the drunkard father of the two beautiful daughters, Mr. Burress cleverly removes the depressing influence of the repulsive part and surprises even his friends by his grand conception and admirable portrayal of the most difficult role in the cast. The settings and costumes were very agreeable and on the whole the performance was first class throughout and worthy of liberal patronage.

Mr. Weston will positively appear this afternoon and for the rest of the week.

BOWLING NEWS.

Team Six of the Bankers defeated Team Two, 1756 to 1702.

At duck pins the Soft Moneys lost to the McKinleys, 1169 to 1187; and the Bugwumps won from the Populists, 1232 to 1214.

In the Vesper tournament Team Nine was victorious over Team Two, 2228 to 2167.

Team Nine of the Highland club defeated Team Twelve, 2235 to 2089; and Team Eight outbowled Team Three, 2484 to 2129.

The Firemen won from Stearns' men, 2539 to 2410.

The Married Men of the W. A. Mack company beat the Single Men at bowling, last night, by a score of 2141 to 2085.

Holy Name Society.

The Holy Name society of St. Patrick's church has elected the following officers:

President, Joseph McQuade; vice president, John Dolan; treasurer, John Q. Adams; financial secretary, Timothy Quinn; recording secretary, Patrick Coughlin; consultors, James Lyons, Patrick Madden, Timothy Wholey, Michael Coughlin.

The society holds two meetings in the month, the first, a business meeting, is held on the second Sunday of each month at 6 o'clock in the evening, and the second, a religious meeting, on the last Sunday of the month at 6 o'clock in the evening.

Invitation to McKinley.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—An invitation was extended to President-elect McKinley yesterday by the management of the University of Wisconsin-Carlisle football game to be the guest of the Press club at the Coliseum Saturday night. The major will be in Chicago at that time, and it is thought that he will conclude to witness the great gridiron contest. Gould of Amherst will referee the contest.

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BOARD OF TRADE

Held Its Quarterly Meeting Last Night.

LENGTHY PAPER READ BY SECRETARY SMITH

On the Administration of the New Charter.

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Trade last evening drew a fair-sized attendance.

H. Kirk White presided and he and President Adams of the state board were appointed delegates to a monetary conference of business men to be held in Indianapolis, Jan. 12, to consider the currency question.

Secretary Smith was called upon to read a paper on the new city charter, which he did, saying in substance: When as your secretary I undertook to secure industries I met at the outset a serious obstacle thereto, in the reputation of the local government and the local politicians.

Then reviewed at length the discussions of the board upon municipal affairs which attracted widespread attention and a complimentary mention in Mayor Courtney's inaugural. Then followed the financial commission, the new charter drafted, its agitation and finally its triumphant victory at the polls. In relation to the distribution of offices, he said:

The third principal cause of bad government in the estimation of the public is the distribution of the offices. This we have now to deal with. Once to remedy this evil would have seemed difficult, almost impossible, but the reforms that have preceded it have lightened the task, and the time to deal with it is opportune.

No more important duty will devolve upon the incoming council than that of providing by ordinance a uniform non-partisan, common sense method of selecting the city officers. When experience has perfected our method, it will be well to incorporate the ordinance with the charter as we should not be in too much haste to tie our hands.

In this connection a word is due in reference to section 1 of the charter amendment in the matter of appointments. With opinions that have their origin in the hopes or fears of persons or parties interested in the distribution of the spoils so called, we need not concern ourselves in dealing with a purely judicial question. Section 1 as adopted reads precisely as it did at the hearings and as it stood in the origional bill was not open to criticism so far as the power of appointment is involved. A subsequent section provided a method of selection of officers, but at the legislature this subsequent section was struck out and the question now is, has the force and effect of section 1 been modified, or enlarged by such striking out?

It is understood a judicial construction of this section will be had, and we may wait in patience such construction. It will hardly embarrass our administration as much as have the struggles to maintain bad government.

The time is favorable for the calm, dispassionate settlement on a sound basis, and he would be no friend to good government who would again arouse partisanship over this subject.

To do so, judging by the past, would only result in restoring to the council the control of the patronage with the prompt repeal or an attempt and struggle for the repeal of the ordinances creating the offices in controversy.

My official relations with Mayor Courtney left no doubt in my mind that his dominant controlling ambition was through wise administration to establish and maintain himself in the respect and esteem of all good citizens of all parties, and I have no fears that he will not be governed in this case by that motive.

Under the amended charter there will form around the mayor an executive council or cabinet, as it were, an executive board, wherein executive business will be considered. At least this has been the result elsewhere when the executive functions have been separated from the legislative.

Until experience has shown that this body is not sufficient to conduct wisely the executive business of the city I should not favor additional permanent boards or commissions.

Our schools, library, engineer service, double water supply, police and probably other branches of the public service with which I am less familiar will compare with the best of other cities and we need lower our flag to no city of our rank.

In force, equipment and handling, our fire department takes rank with the best in the country. It is in our street department that our citizens look for radical reform. The rule that streets shall not be accepted until completed finds favor. The rigid enforcement of the betterment act with such amendment as will permit the payment of assessments in instalments extending over a series of years will further relieve the treasury of cost of new construction.

The demand from the wheelmen for better roads will be imperative and will, I believe, be heeded. Every street laborer knows that the city has during the last year obtained a great deal more service for the wages paid than before, and that a great deal more ground has been covered, but for lack of suitable road material the benefits have not been so apparent while the other items of cost are the same.

It will be found economy to get the best road material, whether gravel stone or other material be required whether we have to go one or fifty miles for it.

The system of laying the best pavement and then caring for them under the sectional system works successfully elsewhere and ought to here.

The paper was received with applause. Principal Carrothers of the manual training school spoke on low taxes.

J. L. Chalifoux advocated civil service rules in all the city departments as being better for the city and better for the workmen and made a motion to that effect which was passed.

Many Public Bequests.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 16.—Among the wills allowed in the probate court yesterday was that of John Bush of Spencer, the valuation of whose estate is $45,000. There are many public bequests.

Great ulster weather.

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A HOT ELECTION.

At St. Michael's Y. M. C. L. I. Last Evening.

The election of officers at the Y. M. C. L. I., of St. Michael's church last evening resulted as follows: President, Stephen Duffy; vice president, William Morrissey; recording secretary, Harry Donahoe; financial secretary, Philip Donohoe; treasurer, Richard McCluskey; board of trustees, J. Duffy, R. Blinkhorn, G. Carey, J. Costello, F. Walsh; board of examiners, Thos. Garity, D. Donahoe and T. Kinlan; literary committee, F. O'Connell, J. Blinkhorn, D. McKenna and W. Hickey; marshal, Martin Meagher; Rev. Fr. Scannell, spiritual advisor.

DEATHS.

ELY—Mrs. Laura M. Ely widow of the late Joseph H. Ely, and a prominent member of the High street church died yesterday at her home, 155 Stackpole street. She leaves one son, F. W. Ely of Greenfield, N. H.

WHITEHORN—Mr. William H. Whitehorn, one of Lowell's old residents, died at his home on Beacon street yesterday morning after a long and painful illness, aged 72 years. He was born in Apponnug, R. I., in 1824, and previous to coming to Lowell resided in Newport, R. I.

Mr. Whitehorn leaves a widow and two daughters, Mrs. Andrew J. Coburn of Troy, Vt., and Miss Mercena F. Whitehorn, a teacher in the Moody school. He was a member of Mechanics lodge, I. O. O. F.

THE RECOUNT COMMENCED.

Eastman Gains One Vote in Precinct One, Ward One.

The registrars of voters commenced the recount of the aldermanic vote at 10 o'clock this morning. At 11.15, they had finished the first precinct of ward one and the only change discovered was a gain of one vote for Eastman.

Abbott Lawrence was on hand and anxiously watched the progress of the count.

Arthur Salmon was there in the interest of Col. Bennett and Secretary Tully of the democratic city committee inspected the work of the counters.

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Spain is tottering to her fall.

The course of freedom is growing stronger in Cuba and sympathy for that cause is also increasing.

The new St. Jean Baptiste church is a credit to the French people of Lowell in architectural beauty and elegance.

Tom Watson is now giving all his attention to the law. He collected plenty of evidence during the late campaign.

The Sun's scoop of Monday on the romantic escapade in Centralville, was copied by our contemporaries on Tuesday.

It seems that some youths of the present day show much precocity in wrong doing, that juvenile burglar in Brockton for example.

If the report of the Maceo butchery be true, whole regiments of volunteers will leave this country to join the insurgents in vanquishing Weyler.

It appears from the report of Clarence Whidden that there is room for embezzlement in many of the city departments. In order to be safe it will be necessary to appoint a number of new officials to watch those who handle the money.

Fitchburg is logrolling to get a bill through congress for the erection of a public building. It will be to Fitchburg's interest to select a site without having the city divided into sections, in an endless controversy over the location.

Mr. Redmond is drawing large houses as a lecturer in this country. His audiences are composed chiefly of those who have not followed his course in Irish politics and who know not of his acts of party treachery perpetrated as a follower of Parnell and a friend of Ireland.

Clerk McLaughlin of the house was beaten by A. P. A. influence and his successor, Mr. Sleeper proved an utter failure, wholly incompetent for the position. It will be in order at the opening of the legislature to reinstate McLaughlin or somebody who is equally well qualified for the place. It is not too late to right the wrong.

THE PROBABILITIES OF CONGRESSIONAL ACTION.

The country is to be given a period of tariff tinkering by congress but nobody need be scared over the proposition to push the Dingley bill for it will be pushed out of existence.

It is already clear that President Cleveland will not sign it and there will not be a vote sufficient to pass it over his veto.

Indeed it is now very plain that apart from the president's veto power six senators stand in the way of its passage.

They are the six senators who did not respond to the call of the republican leaders to caucus.

It is by no means certain that they will vote against a bill such as that in question but being believers in free silver they cannot consistently favor such a bill because it can never accomplish the end in view while the gold standard is maintained.

To erect a high protective wall and at the same time preserve the gold standard is to tear down with one hand what is built up with the other.

It is now probable that these senators will not vote for any protective measure unless it has attached a provision for opening the mints to free coinage of silver, as tariff duties build up a bounty on imports from silver using countries as a premium on gold that destroys the effect of those duties.

But these six senators hold the balance of power in the senate so that the defeat of the Dingley bill becomes doubly certain.

The present tariff, therefore, will not be changed by the 54th congress and it may be far along in the 55th congress, before the republicans get their tariff scheme carried into effect.

That there will be an extra session is pretty sure as a means of overcoming the failure to pass the Dingley bill, but that will not ensure the passage of a high tariff measure. In the next senate the silver protectionists will hold the balance of power as at present, so that there is little probability that they will allow any tariff measure to pass without an amendment providing that the U. S. mints shall be opened.

These same men in the senate will join their sympathizers in the house in opposing the contractionists. Between protectionists and contractionists there will be a hard time battling for popular rights. The contractionists want to retire greenbacks, contract the currency and then put the monetary question into the hands of a commission to be controlled by the Morgans and the Rothschilds of England.

This is what Hanna hopes for, but should such a state of affairs come to pass, it would result in an oppressive oligarchy that would precipitate a revolution.

CITY ELECTIONS

Republicans Elect a Majority of Aldermen.

QUIET ELECTION AND A LIGHT VOTE

Results in Five Other Mass. Cities.

Boston, Dec. 16.—The six cities holding elections yesterday complete the 32 municipalities of the state. As in the other 26 elections, national and state politics played but little part in the contest, except in this city and in Lynn. In the latter city the contest was between a straight Republican candidate and a fusion backed by the Populists and socialists, and owing to a reduction in wages, which the shoe workers ascribed to the Republicans, the latter candidate was elected in a city which endorsed McKinley a month ago. The city also changed from a no license to a license city.

The total vote for license in the 32 cities of the state is: Yes, 124,776; no, 104,095; majority for license, 19,184. In 1895 the vote was: Yes, 119,365; no, 105,639; majority for license, 13,726.

The only changes were Haverhill from license to no license, and Lynn vice versa.

BOSTON'S ELECTION.

Republicans Elect Seven of Twelve Aldermen and School Committee.

Boston, Dec. 16.—The Republicans had the advantage in the city election yesterday, although in the absence of a mayoralty contest, the result is somewhat mixed. Of the 14 candidates for the 12 aldermanic positions, the Republicans have elected seven, and the Democrats five. The city voted for license by a majority which, while somewhat smaller than in previous years, was relatively the same, owing to the light vote. There was a falling off of 30 per cent from the national election a month ago.

The only rival candidates voted upon by the entire city were those running for street commissioner, and a one year member of the school board. In the former, the Democrats won by a small majority, while another colored Republican candidate, Dr. Samuel E. Courtney, was elected on the school board, his majority being about 2000.

The result of the vote for single candidates was as follows: Street commissioner—Duane (Dem.), 30,228; Cram (Rep.), 29,819; school committee, one year—Dr. Courtney (Rep.), 33,449; Dasey (Dem.), 31,503. The aldermen elected are: Barry (Dem.), Berwin (Rep.), Codman (Rep.), Colby (Rep.), Dean (Dem.), W. F. Donovan (Dem.), W. J. Donovan (Dem.), Dyer (Rep.), Lee (Dem.), Lott (Rep.), Paige (Rep.) and Presho (Rep.).

License vote: Yes, 39,426; no, 26,829.

Fusion Swept the City.

Lynn, Mass. Dec. 16.—Walter L. Ramsdell, the fusion candidate for mayor, nominated by the Democratic, Citizens, Reform and Populist parties, swept the city yesterday, receiving 1940 votes more than his Republican opponent, Ex-Senator Charles H. Baker. The result is attributed chiefly to Baker's connection with the Lynn Gas and Electric company, which has a big contract to renew with the city the present year, and to the policy among the shoe operatives against voting for a shoe manufacturer for mayor. Mr. Ramsdell made a thorough canvass from the stump, while Baker did nothing in that line, relying upon the big normal Republican vote to pull him through. The city goes license by 2276 majority, which is considered remarkable, in view of the fact that last year it went no by 893. Mr. Ramsdell, in an interview, attributes his election to the effect of a cut in wages in this city recently. The vote was as follows: Charles H. Baker (Rep.), 3913; Walter L. Ramsdell (Cit., Dem., Pop.), 5853. The city councils are Republican.

More Quiet Than Usual.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 16.—The election in this city passed off yesterday with more than the usual quietude, there being a decided falling off in the vote for all city officials. Alvin F. Sortwell was elected mayor, to succeed Colonel William A. Bancroft, Mr. Sortwell's opponent being ex-State Highway Commissioner George A. Perkins. State politics played no part whatever in the election, both candidates for mayor being Democrats, notwithstanding the city is strongly Republican. Perkins came into the contest very late, running on nomination papers, and made a very good showing for such a short canvass. The vote for mayor was: Alvin F. Sortwell, 5845; George A. Perkins, 4069. License vote: Yes, 3873; no, 5753. The aldermen and common council are entirely non-partisan, as is the school committee.

A. P. A. Candidate Beaten.

Chelsea, Mass., Dec. 16.—Alderman Herman W. Pratt was elected mayor yesterday by a majority of 2305 over John T. Hadaway. Pratt was the Republican candidate, and received the endorsement of the Citizen's party, while Hadaway ran on nomination papers and was supported by the A. P. A. There were a number of exciting contests for places on the board of aldermen and the school committee. The city continued in the no-license column, but by a decreased majority. The vote for mayor was: Pratt, 3519; Hadaway, 1214. License: Yes, 2348; no, 2580.

A Quiet Election.

Newburyport, Mass., Dec. 16.—Election passed off quietly here, and almost as large a vote as last year was polled. One of the principal features of the election was the part taken by the Municipal league, which endorsed candidates where there was a contest, and succeeded in electing three out of four aldermen endorsed, and 15 out of 18 councilmen. The city went yes by a majority of 135. Mayor Andrew R. Curtis (Ind. Cit.) was re-elected without opposition.

Charges Against Tamsen Dismissed.

Albany, Dec. 16.—Governor Morton has dismissed the charges against Sheriff Tamsen of New York, and says, in his dismissal: "This summary of the charges and the evidence clearly shows that William Tamsen has tried to properly perform the duties of his office, and has endeavored to exercise adequate supervision over the conduct of his subordinates."

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THE TRIAL OF BRAM.

Indictment is Read to Jury and Attorney Hoar Makes Opening Statement.

Boston, Dec. 16.—At the Bram murder trial yesterday, after the jury had been polled, the long indictment found against the prisoner, charging him with the murder of Captain Charles I. Nash, was read to the jury, the prisoner standing during the time with uplifted hand. On motion of District Attorney Hoar, Mr. [illegible] consenting, all the witnesses in the case with the exception of experts, were excluded from the courtroom. After this order had been complied with, amid the closest attention, Mr. Hoar made his opening for the government, giving a careful statement of the government's case and narrating his theory of the murder of Captain Nash.

After three minor witnesses had been heard, Darius H. Ingraham, United States consul general at Halifax, identified the defendant as having been arrested under his order and confined in the jail at Halifax, on July 21. After taking the deposition of the defendant and other members of the crew of the Herbert Fuller, witness ordered them to be taken to the United States on the steamer Halifax in the custody of Officer Clyde of Halifax. The statement of the defendant was read to him, and he signed it under oath.

An attempt to introduce the document as evidence caused a legal controversy at once, which was continued until recess was taken.

At the opening of the afternoon session the prisoner's counsel continued his contest against the admission of the document, and in arguing the matter, cited precedents, notably that of the Lizzie Borden case, in which the three justices decided that the statement obtained in the preliminary examination was not competent, inasmuch as the defendant was in duress, the marshal having a warrant for her arrest in his pocket at the time of the examination.

Judge Colt decided that the deposition be excluded for the present, although he said that the government might renew its contest for its admission if it desired. This was considered an important decision for the defense.

PUGILIST SHARKEY.

Denies All Stories of His Trainers as to the Injury Received in His Groin.

San Francisco, Dec. 16.—The Fitzsimmons-Sharkey witnesses yesterday gave no sensational testimony, but Fitzsimmons' friends say they are now able to prove that a doctor performed an operation on Sharkey to produce external evidence of apparent foul, and that he was paid $1000 for the service.

Danny Lynch, Sharkey's manager, denied all knowledge of a conspiracy; said that neither he nor Sharkey was a member of the National club and declared that Referee Earp had no pecuniary interest in the check for $10,000. On cross-examination by Fitzsimmons' counsel, Lynch was asked, if he had ever been prohibited from racing at the local track, and why. An objection from Sharkey's attorney saved the witness the possible embarrassment of a reply.

A sporting reporter said he witnessed the fight, but saw no foul blow struck by Fitzsimmons.

Thomas Sharkey's testimony was simply a denial of the stories told by his trainers, Billy Smith and George Allen. He never heard of a conspiracy before the fight. He declared that Fitzsimmons struck him a foul blow in the groin. When asked why he screamed, as if in pain, when he was with Dr. Lee in the dressing room after the fight, Sharkey said that Lee had pressed his groin hard during the examination after Fitzsimmons' blow and that the pressure caused great pain. He stated he still suffered pain from injuries in his groin.

Several amateur sporting men testified that the recent meeting was not a prize fight, but a glove contest, so that the court could take no cognizance of the present action.

Buffalo the Convention City.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—It has not been officially announced, but it is generally agreed at national Women's Christian Temperance union headquarters, that the 1897 convention of that body will be held in Buffalo. A most hearty invitation has just been received from Buffalo, and the assurance is given that the city will make every effort to make the convention a success. There are six unions in the city and they have the cordial support of the business men.

Notorious Ed Reed Killed.

Claremore, I. T., Dec. 16.—Ed Reed, who on year ago killed the two Crittenden brothers, outlaws, at Wagoner, was himself shot and killed here Monday night while creating a disturbance. He had been arrested earlier in the evening for firing several shots in a saloon, and was placed under bond for appearance later. After being released Reed returned to the saloon, brandishing his revolver, and was fired at by a deputy sheriff. One shot took effect in the neck and another just over the heart. The dead man was a son of the notorious Belle Starr.

President's Shooting Party.

Georgetown, S. C., Dec. 16.—The presidential party enjoyed splendid sport off South Island yesterday. This morning the sport was resumed for a short time, when the party joined a deer drive, arranged by General Alexander Hazard. This afternoon they will abandon their camps and go to the Annandale clubhouse, from which the marsh will be visited for ducks for several days succeeding. It is given out that the president will remain indefinitely, there being no limit to his time.

Hutchins Buys a Newspaper.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Ex-Congressman C. C. Conn of Indiana yesterday sold the Washington Morning and Evening Times to Stilson Hutchins of this city. Mr. Hutchins has placed John H. Oberly, formerly commissioner of Indian affairs, in charge of the paper. The Times was established in 1894, as a cooperative enterprise, by printers, but early passed into the hands of Mr. Conn, who had retired from congress.

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Public Session of Grange at Manchester, N. H.

Manchester, N. H., Dec. 16.—The 23d annual session of the New Hampshire State Grange was opened here yesterday morning. All of the 14 Pomona granges and most of the 249 subordinate granges were represented. The gathering is one of the largest in the history of the state.

The morning session was occupied with the opening ceremonies and work of the credentials committee. At the afternoon session the reports of the officers were presented. That of the treasurer shows a cash balance of $2714.21 and a permanent fund for assets of $7626.89. There has been a net gain of 1400 members during the year.

At the evening session in Mechanics' hall, the public was admitted, and a large number were present. An address of welcome was made, on behalf of the city, by Mayor Clarke, to which a response was made by N. J. Bacheller of East Andover, master of the state grange. The board of trade, through which the invitation to the body to meet in this city was extended, presented its greetings through General Charles H. Bartlett, its president, the response for the grange being made by Hon. N. B. Bryant of Andover. G. Waldo Browne of Manchester, master of Amoskeag grange, also welcomed the visitors to the city.

The other speakers were Hezekiah Scammon of Exeter, lecturer of the state grange; General George Austin Bowen of Connecticut, high priest of the seventh degree, the highest office in the order, and Secretary H. W. Eastman of the board of trade. Mr. Eastman invited the state grange, on behalf of the board of trade, to meet in Manchester next year. This state body was organized in this city, and held its first 19 meetings here. The two following were held in Concord. The wish was expressed by Mr. Eastman that the next 19 might be in Manchester.

The Oberon ladies' quartet of Laconia furnished musical selections throughout the evening. At the close of the public meeting the grange went into secret session, but no business of importance was transacted.

MAINE'S STATE GRANGE.

It Opens at Augusta With the Largest First Day Attendance Ever Known.

Augusta, Me., Dec. 16.—Yesterday's meeting of the grange opened with the largest attendance yet on record for the first regular day. Worthy Master Wiggin of Aroostook gave the opening address, and was listened to with attentive ears. He spoke for some time, especially upon the success of the meetings held in the past, also the way it will be kept on in the future. He thinks that there are yet many towns in the state where granges are needed, and great efforts should be made to form such.

Since Sept. 30, 1895, eight new granges have been established in different parts of the state, also one pomona. The total number of granges at present is 223; members, 20,128. The gain in membership in the last year has been 1534. The receipts at the secretary's office for the year ending Sept. 30 have been $3509.72. Orders have been drawn to the amount of $2908.47. Disbursements, paid National Grange dues, four quarters, ending June 30, $920.35; orders of master and secretary, $2908.47, which makes a balance in the treasury of $7605.48.

The day was devoted mostly to reports and regular business.

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THE GOVERNMENT IS DISSATISFIED HIM.

His Successor Has Seen Much Military Service.

Madrid, Dec. 16.—According to surface indication, Captain General Weyler will soon be relieved of his command in Cuba. The discontent with Weyler is noticeable even in the government organs. They say that instead of going to Habana to receive an unmerited ovation he ought to have continued the military operations in the province of Pinar del Rio.

A bad impression has also been created here by the dispatches of the Spanish correspondents at Habana, announcing that General Weyler has suppressed all dispatches referring to the ovations in Spain in honor of Major Cirujeda. It is supposed that the captain general's action was due to jealousy, and it is currently represented that the government is disposed to replace Weyler by General Marin, now governor of Porto Rico.

General Marin has seen considerable military service in the cause of Spain, having participated in the last Cuban war. At that time he had for adversaries on the insurgent side some of the men who figure prominently in that service today.

General Marin came to Cuba permanently with Martinez Campos when the latter was appointed captain general of the island. He acted as captain general when Campos was in the field against the insurgents, and when Campos was recalled, as a result of the dissatisfaction of the Spanish government with his campaign, Marin took his place during the interim between the departure of Campos and the arrival of Weyler. With the advent of Weyler, Marin was appointed governor of Porto Rico. General Marin is about 50 years of age.

Trial of Competitor's Crew.

Habana, Dec. 16.—The second trial of the crew of the American schooner Competitor, captured on April 29 last by a Spanish gunboat, while apparently landing a filibustering expedition on the coast of Cuba, is still in its preliminary stages and, consequently, according to Spanish law, the proceedings are yet private. It is expected that the case will shortly pass into open court, when all the features of the case will be made public. The stories circulated in the United States of the secret trial, sentencing and the approaching execution of the prisoners are false.

Fighting In Cuba Reported.

Cincinnati, Dec. 16.—A special to The Commercial Tribune from Key West says: Fighting is reported west of the trocha, in Pinar del Rio section, where the insurgents, under Maceo's successor, General Ruis Rivera, have taken the field against the Spanish forces left there by General Weyler. No details have been received yet, but 50 wounded soldiers came in from the neighborhood of Artemisa.

Doctors Pity Cuban Suffering.

St. Paul, Dec. 16.—The physicans of St. Paul, aroused by the reports of suffering among the Cubans, have started a subscription list throughout the profession for money with which to buy medicine and bandages to send by way of Tampa, Fla., direct to the camps and towns of the insurgents.

Julio Sanguilly's Trial.

Habana, Dec. 16.—It is understood that the retrial of the case of Julio Sanguilly, sent back on April from the supreme court of Madrid, will not occur until Jan. 8.

Diabolical Plot Discovered.

St. Louis, Dec. 16.A special to The Republic from Belton, Tex., says: What is supposed to have been a plot to blow up the handsome new opera house was discovered here yesterday. Four large sticks of dynamite, wrapped in a German paper, were found in a window. The fuse attached had burned part of the way, but had burned out. There was enough of the stuff to have wrecked the opera house, the $20,000 courthouse and other adjacent buildings, had it exploded.

Labor Troubles Imminent.

New Bedford, Mass., Dec. 16.—Reports which have been received by Secretary Ross of the National Mule Spinners' association show that the situation in mills in the western part of the state is far from satisfactory. In short, Adams and Chicopee are threatened with a protracted strike, and the spinners in the Lyman mills at Holyoke are already out.

Will Die From His Injuries.

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 16.—Arthur Whitney, a barber, was fearfully burned last night and will probably die from injuries received. He was in bed, sick with neuralgia, and his mother was heating alcohol over a gas stove. The alcohol took fire, and Whitney jumped out of bed and attempted to put out the blaze by blowing it. His nightshirt caught fire, and he rushed out into Main street. He was taken to the Springfield hospital and is not expected to live.

Reception to Joe Rice.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 16.—Joe Rice, who won the second prize in the six days' bicycle race in New York last week, received a royal greeting upon his return home here. He was met at the depot by the mayor of the city and prominent citizens. A procession, headed by several brass bands, paraded the streets. At the opera house a reception was held, Mayor Nichols presiding, and speeches were made by prominent citizens.

Death Sentence Commuted.

Columbus, O., Dec. 16.—Governor Bushnell yesterday afternoon commuted the sentence of Frank Tierney, who was to have been executed Thursday morning, to imprisonment for life. Tierney was convicted of shooting and killing Frank Hupman, a fellow tramp, in a box car near Huron, May 25, 1896. Governor Bushnell thought there was sufficient doubt of Tierney's guilt to warrant commutation.

Victory For Lauterbach.

New York, Dec. 16.—Conventions for the election of delegates to the Republican county committee for 1897 were held in all the assembly districts of this city last night. The result was a victory for the regular ticket, and nearly all of the delegates returned are supporters of Edward Lauterbach for re-election as chairman of the committee.

OFFICIAL ATTENTION.

Is Attracted to the Enlistment of Men to Join the Cuban Insurgents.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The attention of officials here has been attracted by the stories coming from all portions of the country indicating that enlistments are going on of parties of men to go to Cuba to join the insurgents in their struggle against the Spaniards. These enlistments are in direct violation of the neutrality laws, and are prohibited under severe penalties. For accepting a commission to serve against Spain, a country with which the United States is now at peace, the penalty prescribed by section 5281, revised statutes, is $2000 fine and three years' imprisonment, while for enlistment to serve against Spain or hiring any one to enlist, the penalty is almost as heavy, being a maximum of $1000 fine and three years' imprisonment.

The enforcement of these laws naturally falls within the functions of the United States officials to whose knowledge the attempt at infringement is brought, but if the movements continue on a large scale, as reported, it is probable that the department of justice will send instructions of a special character to all of its agents, calling their attention to the proclamation issued by the president last spring, and enjoining upon them a strict enforcement of the neutrality laws.

The government doubtless will be obliged to do this, in order to manifest its purpose to meet the requirements of international law, just as it has warned the shipping interests against taking part in filibustering movements, and has sent rigid instructions to judicial officers at Atlantic ports to prevent the infraction of the laws in that respect.

Confirmation of Francis Delayed.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The nomination of Secretary Francis as head of the interior department was referred to the finance committee in accordance with the custom of the senate. Nominations of the president for cabinet positions are usually confirmed very prompty. The nomination of Mr. Francis was sent to the senate a week ago, and yesterday was the first meeting of the finance committee since the nomination was referred to it. Secretary Francis will not be confirmed until after the senatorial election in Missouri. The opposition, if such it can be termed, can be traced to the recent election, in which Secretary Francis supported the gold Democratic candidates. Considerable feeling has been engendered, but it is not believed that the opposition will be carried so far as to prevent a confirmation.

Exposure Got Gates Into Trouble.

Boston, Dec. 16.—George B. Gates, who led a raiding party that effected the exposure of a "medium" at the Spiritualist Temple in this city three weeks ago, was arrested yesterday afternoon on a warrant charging him with the disturbance of a religious meeting, and also damage to property to the amount of $50. Gates is summoned to appear in the municipal court next Thursday morning. The exposure created quite a sensation at the time, as those who took part in it not only caught the medium in the act of impersonating a "spirit," but they captured the white robe, wig and whiskers which he wore.

Baseball Pitching Cannon.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 16.—Professor Charles H. Hinton gave the first public exhibition of his baseball pitching cannon in the college gymnasium last night. The members of the baseball team and a large crowd of undergraduates were present. A canvas backstop was erected in the gymnasium and from the cannon, placed at pitcher's distance, balls were discharged, showing the different curves and rates of speed that can be obtained. In a lecture, Professor Hinton stated that his invention is intended to save pitchers in practice. The Princeton nine will use the cannon in all in-door practice this winter as an experiment.

Masonic Anniversary Celebrated.

Palmer, Mass., Dec. 16.—Thomas lodge of Masons observed the 100th anniversary of its organization in an appropriate manner yesterday. The exercises were opened by a reception to the grand lodge. W. M. George Wilkins gave the address of welcome, and the response was by M. W. G. M. Edwin B. Holmes of Boston. O. P. Allen gave an entertaining historical address, and an address was given by Rev. George C. Lorimer, D. D., of Boston. A banquet was held in the Opera House in the evening, attended by about 500 Masons and their friends. Judge George Robinson was toastmaster.

Janitor Was Badly Burned.

Rockland, Me., Dec. 16.—Edgar Beverage, janitor of the Knox county courthouse, was badly burned yesterday by escaping steam, caused by the bursting of pipes connected with the boiler. The accident occurred while Beverage was in the basement, and in order to prevent the boiler exploding, he drew the fire in the furnace, and it was while doing this that he was burned by the steam, which continued to escape for some time after the apparatus burst. About 20 people were in the courthouse above, and considerable alarm was created by the report and noise cause by the accident.

Condemned Man Shot to Death.

Salt Lake City, Dec. 16.—Patrick Coughlin was executed yesterday in Sage Hollow, Rich county, 25 miles north of Echo, for the killing of Deputy Sheriffs Thomas Stagg of Echo and E. A. Dawes of Evanstown, Wyo., on July 30, 1895. He was shot to death by five deputies under Sheriff Dickson. Only the officials and a few relatives of the condemned man and representatives of the press were present.

Thousands Paid Last Tribute.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 16.—The funeral of Lieutenant Governor Fraser took place at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The body has been lying in state in the legislative building since Monday. Thousands paid a last tribute of respect to the remains of one of the most beloved men of the province. The floral offerings were magnificent and came from all parts of the province.

Church Cornerstone Laid.

Medford, Mass., Dec. 16.—The cornerstone of the West Medford Baptist church was put in place yesterday afternoon, before a large gathering of parishioners, W. W. Main of the Baptist Sunday School union conducting the services.

Preparing For the Worst.

"Vy, Hans, how it vos dot you again vos so mooch gotrunken?"

"It like dis is. I vas heared dot dere vos some talk like dey vos going to increase dot beer tax soon yet; so I git me pooty full vile dere is yet blenty time."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

AYER'S HAIR VIGOR PRESERVES THE Natural Color of the Hair

SENATE SPEAKS

Seeks More Information on Cuban Question.

THE MORGAN RESOLUTION IS FINALLY PASSED.

Its Author Urges a Decisive Policy.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Senator Morgan of Alabama held the attention of the senate and well-filled galleries for an hour yesterday by his earnest advocacy of a strong and decisive policy in dealing with the Cuban question. The prominence of Mr. Morgan in the Cuban debate of last season, when he had charge of the Cuban resolutions reported from the committee on foreign relations, gave special interest to his speech. He spoke in dispassonate style, although his words had a directness and severity in picturing the horrors existing in Cuba such as is seldom heard in the senate.

Mr. Morgan spoke freely of the possibilities of war, welcoming it if necessary to guarantee the protection of American citizens. He asserted that Spain's bankruptcy would prevent the collection of any indemnity for wrongs. The senator questioned the wisdom of the president's position that the granting of belligerent rights would be "untimely." Mr. Morgan's view on the line of action which should be adopted was summed up in the following:

"Although I believe that belligerent rights should be accorded the Cubans, inasmuch as the president prefers a more coercive policy, and warns Spain that the time is near at hand for decisive action, I will support him in any movement that will save our people on that island from further outrage. I will not obstruct his course with questions of propriety, but will follow the colors when planted by the president on the advanced ground that the concession of belligerent rights has become 'untimely,' and that our duty now demands active intervention. If that crumbles away I will again fall back to the position that a just care for our own people requires us to declare an armed neutrality, ready to assail either belligerent that inflicts wrongs on our own people. If the president should say: 'The time has arrived, the hour has struck,' would any American be so base as not to hold up his hands while the battle is raging?"

At the close of Mr. Morgan's speech his resolution was adopted, requesting the secretary of state for papers and information relative to the Competitor's prisoners and other American citizens held in Cuba by the Spanish authorities.

Mr. Morgan's resolution was as follows:

Resolved, That the president is requested, if it is not in his opinion incompatible with the public service, to send to the senate copies of the papers relating to the condition of affairs in the Island of Cuba, which are referred to in the report of the secretary of state, that accompanies his last annual message, as papers collected in the annual volume entitled "Foreign Relations of the United States."

And also, a statement of the several amounts of the claims lodged in the department by citizens of the United States against Spain, growing out of the alleged insurrection now existing in the Island of Cuba.

And also, all correspondence with the Spanish government relating to the vessel called the Competitor and the persons captured with or near that vessel; with a statement of the charges pending in any court in Spain or Cuba against said persons and the proceedings of such court in those cases; and the place of their imprisonment, the character of their treatment, while in prison, and the condition of their health; whether said prisoners have had the privilege of counsel of their own selection in any trial that has taken place on such charges, or were represented by any consul, attorney or other agent of the United States.

The question of passing the bill granting Nancy Allabach a pension, the veto of the president notwithstanding, occasioned considerable debate. Mr. Cockrell expressed surprise that Mr. Palmer of Illinois should be in charge of a movement to override the president. The Illinois senator answered that he directed his course as a senator, without reference to the president. The bill was finally passed over the veto; yeas, 41; nays, 11.

Early in the day Mr. Allen introduced a resolution for the appointment of a committee of nine senators to investigate the extent to which money was used in the recent presidential electon.

The house yesterday entered upon the consideration of the Loud bill to amend the law relating to the transmission of second class mail matter. The bill has been widely discussed in the public press and has met with most intense opposition from certain quarters. It denies the right of serial novels to admission to the mails at the newspaper per pound rates, denies to newspapers the sample copy privilege, prohibits the return of unsold publications at pound rates and makes some other changes in the present law designed to correct existing abuses.

A change in the second class mail matter law has been repeatedly urged by successive postmaster generals. It was estimated that the abuses of the law had cost the government $240,000,000 in the last 10 years.

Mr. Loud (Cal.), the author of the measure, brought it forward yesterday quite unexpectedly to a majority of the members of the house. The opposition, lead by Mr. Quigg (N. Y.), inaugurated a filibuster, and attempted to prevent its consideration by adjourning, but the house stood by Mr. Loud for two votes, defeating the opposition—131 to 102, and 141 to 83.

The opposition, however, are hopeful of defeating the measure when it is put on its final passage. Mr. Loud made an opening speech on the measure during which he declared that the bill would save the government $20,000,000 annually. He also said that it had received the endorsement of the Newspaper Publishers' association, and was only opposed by those who participated in the bounty obtained under the present law. The exact status of the bill is questionable.

Before this bill was brought up, the bill to reorganize the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad company was called up and passed, with some amendments, after an hour's debate.

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AT VINEYARD HAVEN.

"Seamen's Chapel" Enlarged and Refurnished, Is Appropriately Rededicated.

Vineyard Haven, Mass., Dec. 16.—The Boston Seamen's Friend society, whose headquarters, church and reading room are at 287 Hanover street, Boston, has recently expended several thousand dollars enlarging and refurnishing its "Seamen's chapel" in this place.

The new building, which is splendidly adapted for its special work, was rededicated last evening in the presence of a large crowd of townspeople, sailors and government officials, all of whom greatly appreciated the work that has for many years been done here for sailors by this society, under the direction of its local secretary, Captain Madison Edwards.

The new building was opened for inspection during the afternoon, and at 7:30 o'clock the formal services were held, which included special music, addresses by local pastors, townspeople and visitors from Boston and Woods Holl, the dedicatory address being delivered, in behalf of the society, by F. P. Shumway of Boston, chairman of the building committee.

The society's work is rapidly growing at both Boston and Vineyard Haven, as it is, by its practical helpfulness, proving to be of marked benefit to the spiritual, moral and temporal need of the men of the sea.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Hungarians are to colonize in Texas.

A "divine healer" was mobbed in Chicago.

Chicago may have 4-cent street car fares.

Plans for another paper trust are under way.

New York is likely to escape a gas monopoly.

The Behring sea commission is still on the Carolina case.

The French steamship Comentry, with 20 men, is missing.

The New York police force costs about $7,000,000 per year.

The Canadian embargo on American cattle may be removed.

Floyd Courthouse, Va., has been partially destroyed by fire.

President Moraes of Brazil will assume office again in February.

Indians are snowbound and starving in the Cascade mountains.

The Canadian government railway employes threaten to sarike.

The French steamer Marie Fanny has been lost with all on board.

The American Economic association is to meet in Baltimore, Dec. 28.

A possible case of murder will be investigated at Leominster, Mass.

The Harvard-Yale boat race stands in the way of athletic reconciliation.

Interchangeable mileage tickets from St. Louis and Chicago are to be issued.

The fleets of France, Russia and Great Britain may enter the Bosporus.

Secretary Morton denies that he has discriminated in favor of Canadian cattle.

Deficiencies in appropriations amounting to $6,691,632 have been reported to congress.

Postmaster Coveney of Boston says the letter carriers have sold stamps for a long time.

There is no opposition to the petition of the city of Boston for a license to dump snow and ice into tide-water.

The Fishermen's Institute of Gloucester, Mass., is likely to receive $15,000 by a peculiar bequest of the late Thomas Niles.

Lawrence P. Arnold, who fraudulently obtained 10 days' board from a Boston hotel, has been sent to the house of correction.

The Kentucky court of appeals has granted the attorneys for Scott Jackson 30 days in which to file a petition for a rehearing.

A special dispatch from Cape Town says that Colonel Cecil Rhodes' country house was gutted by fire early yesterday morning.

The committee of the French chamber of deputies on the Legion of Honor bill has recommended that the maximum number of chevaliers shall be limited to 12,000.

It is understood that Baron De Courcel, French ambassador in London, will retire early in 1897, and will be succeeded by the Marquis De Reverseaux De Rouvray, at present ambassador at Madrid.

The Illinois Central railroad is negotiating with several of the Atlantic steamship companies with a view to getting them to establish a regular service between New Orleans and European ports.

It was learned yesterday afternoon that General Superintendent Frank S. Gannon of the Staten Island Rapid Transit company had been appointed general manager of the Southern Railway company.

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FROM OUR 5 O'CLOCK EDITION Of Yesterday.

JUDGE HADLEY'S

Advice to a Young Man in Court.

TO MARRY THE GIRL HE HAD BETRAYED

By a Mock Marriage Ceremony in Hotel.

Richard L. Phelan is a bright looking young man, but he made a serious mistake when he made pretty and confiding Julia Hooper believe that she was his wife for now he will go before the grand jury unless something happens to prevent it in the meantime.

The story as the outcome of the case of Phelan charged with assault and battery upon his wife Julia, which was tried in police court today. Phelan was arrested by Officer Bumps and he claimed that he was not married to the lady who accused him.

When the case was called the woman testified that she supposed she was married a ceremony having been gone through in a hotel last Febuary by a third party who Phelan afterwards told her was "McDonald the justice of the peace." They then lived together periodically as man and wife, the unsuspecting girl believing all the time that she was lawfully wedded wife of Phelan. Recently they had not lived together, and when she was sick he didn't go near her. Last Friday or Saturday she went up to Liberty square to meet a lady friend and met her supposed husband. They had words and Phelan tried to strike her in the face.

Phelan, when on the stand started off by saying that his fair accuser was not his wife. He denied having gone through a mock ceremony, but admitted that they had lived together as man and wife and that the girl and her family believed that they were married.

Judge Hadley took copious notes of the testimony and at its conclusion had a complaint against them for illicit cohabitation, while he admitted the girl innocent however.

They pleaded guilty and were held for the grand jury, Phelan in $300 and the girl under McQuade's recognizance, she being held more as a witness as she was unconscious of wrong.

The court in passing from the case said: "Young man, I would suggest that you offer restitution to this young girl whom you have injured by marrying her between now and the time the grand jury comes in."

A MAN STARVES

Himself In Order to Feed His Wife.

WAS AN ARCHITECT AND AN ARTIST.

Died Insane, the Victim of Adversity.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New York, Dec. 15—Theophile Leblanc, who denied himself that his wife might have food, died in the insane pavilion at Bellevue hospital yesterday from the effects of starvation.

He was an architect of ability, a draughtsman and an artist of no little talent. He once earned a large salary, but for a long time seemed to meet reverses, earning only a dollar a day. A short time ago he lost his position and for days refused to eat, that his wife could have what little food he could procure.

THE SENATE ACTS

On the Morgan Question for Recognizing Cuba.

A private despatch from Washington says that Senator Morgan's resolution to recognize Cuba has been adopted by the U. S. Senate.

THE BOYS TACKLED IT

And the Best Part of the Building Soon Disappeared.

Twenty youngsters armed with axes tore down a building in Bent's court yesterday afternoon.

Wm. H. Bent owns the building and the property is under the agency of Mr. Mansur.

The boys who made the onslaught on the rickety affair are members of the Bents' Court Circus Troupe. "Dodo" Hackett, leader of the crowd, learned that Mr. Mansur intended to free the locality of the old structure, and decided to save him any expense. So he called together his cohorts and ordered them to jubilate, for improvements would soon be under way in the old stamping ground. Mr. Mansur intends to erect a new block to substitute the old one.

Then the lads threw their hatchets over their shoulders, journeyed over the way and soon the battle with the timbers had commenced.

As fast as the boards fell they were hustled away to neighboring cellars and will make good fire wood.

This morning all that remained standing were the plastered walls and the supports that held up the once shingled roof.

A WOMAN INJURED.

Fell Over a Fender in the Square Last Night—Another Woman Fainted.

About 6:30 last evening a woman who did not give her name, stumbled over the fender of an electric car standing in Prescott street and fell receiving slight bruises. She was taken home in a carriage. A sympathetic lady who was in the crowd in the waiting room went into a faint during the excitement.

TO SETTLE STRIKE.

Employes to Buy Stock in a Railroad.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—The Illinois Central R. R. officials have before them the applications of 1500 employes who desire to buy the company's stock. More than one-fourth of 22,000 employes are now stockholders. In the financial co-operation of employes it is believed that the company has taken a formal step toward settling the strike problem and teaching laboring classes the value of economy.

HELP FOR CUBA

Companies Now Being Formed to go to the Cuban War.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 15.—One hundred and six men here have signed the roll to aid the Cuban insurgents.

Arkansas City, Kansas, Dec. 15.—A company of young men has been organized here to aid the Cuban cause. They will seek transportation to Cuba.

A FRACTURED SKULL.

James Kiernan Was Found at His Father's Home.

James Kiernan, a resident of East Chelmsford, is at St. John's hospital suffering with a fractured skull.

This noon a call was sent in for the ambulance to go out to East Chelmsford. Arriving there the driver was directed to the house of Kiernan's father.

There he found Kiernan suffering from his injuries. It could not be learned how he received them. He was removed to St. John's hospital and is resting comfortably.

A JUVENILE BURGLAR

Gets Six Years at the Concord Reformatory.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Brockton, Mass., Dec. 15.—In police court this morning Nicholas Lavoie, 15, who confessed to being the accomplice of Homer Rouleau in thirteen burglaries in this vicinity was sent to the reformatory till he will be 21.

TWENTY-THREE FAMILIES

Burned Out By an Explosion of Some Tar On a Building.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 15.—By the explosion of the tar top of a building at the corner of Chapel and Lloyd streets at nine o'clock this morning which was being re-roofed, a fire started which resulted in practically the total destruction of the property. The upper part was occupied by 23 families as tenants. There were two alarms. The loss will be $20,000. Adjoining property was saved. No one was injured.

TIRED SALESWOMEN.

Employers Should Be More Considerate of Their Health.

Interesting Statement by a Young Lady in Brooklyn.

In the vast retail establishments of large cities, many women are employed as saleswomen.

Men formerly held the positions that

women now hold, and while women's organism is less strong than men's they are expected to do the same work. Their duties compel them to be on their feet from morning to night, and many of them, in a short time, contract these distressing complaints called "female diseases."

Then occur irregularities, suppressed or painful menstruation, weakness, indigestion, leucorrhœa, general debility and nervous prostration.

They are beset with such symptoms as dizziness, faintness, lassitude, excitability, irritability, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, "all-gone" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feelings, blues and hopelessness.

In such cases there is one tried and true remedy. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once removes such troubles. The following is a sample:

"My dear Mrs. Pinkham:—After writing you, and before your answer came, I was too miserable to go to the store, and so lost my position. That was five weeks ago. I am now back again in my old place, and never felt so well in all my life. The bearing-down pains and whites have left me, and I am not a bit nervous or blue. Life looks brighter to me. I don't get tired, my temper is real sweet, and I could scream right out sometimes for joy. Your Vegetable Compound is my standby. You don't know how thankful I am to you for saving me from suffering.

Every woman in my position should know of your wonderful remedy. I never saw you, but I love you for being so good to me."—EDITH——W. 6th Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

NOTICE TO ENGINEERS.

There will be a lecture for Engineers Wednesday evening, Dec. 16, at 8 o'clock, in old Odd Fellows' hall, Merrimack street. P. H. Hogan, Chief Engineer at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Herbert E. Stone, Chief Engineer at Harvard University, will speak on subjects of interests to Engineers. All Engineers are invited to attend. Admission free.

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Some People's Folly.

Why some persons will suffer with the excruciating pangs of rheumatism, when they can be so easily cured by that greatest of pain-cures, Salvation Oil, is past human comprehension. That Salvation Oil does cure rheumatism is evidenced by Mr. G. F. Schrader, Pierce, Neb., who says: "I have used Salvation Oil and think there is no liniment on earth like it. I had the rheumatism for several months and could get no relief until I used Salvation Oil, two bottles of which effected a cure, and I feel as well as ever. No home should be without it." Salvation Oil is sold everywhere for 25 cents. When dealers offer a substitute beware, you'll be victimized. Insist on having the best, Salvation Oil.

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE.

By virtue of a certain mortgage given to me by Mary Mullin on the twenty-eight day of December on the premises hereafter described, which mortgage was duly recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Northern District of Middlesex County, in Book 204, Page 503, and for breach of the conditions of said mortgage I will sell at public auction on the fourth day of January, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., to the highest bidder on the premises, the following described premises:

Beginning at a point on the east side of said South street, ninety-nine feet south of Appleton street; thence running easterly parallel to Appleton street fifty feet; thence southerly on land formerly of Thomas Lovett eleven feet, ten and one-half inches; thence on said Lovett lot north, eighty-six degrees east, fifty-one feet and two inches to the southerly corner of said Lovett lot; thence at an acute angle and parallel to Appleton street thirty feet; thence south at a right angle five feet to the middle of a passageway ten feet wide, which is forever to be kept open for the mutual benefit of the adjoining owners; thence easterly parallel to said Appleton street and through the middle of said passageway seventy feet to said South street; thence northerly twenty-seven feet and nine inches on said South street to the point of beginning. Terms made known at time and place of sale.

PATRICK LYNCH, Mortgagee.

WANT COLUMN.

LOST—A dog, all white except a black spot around eye and ear. The finder can leave at Sun office and get rewarded.

LOST—Saturday, a. m., Dec. 12, a sum of money inclosed in a leather case, name of owner on inside of cover. Please return to Middlesex Steam laundry, 140 Middlesex street, and be rewarded.

WANTED—Good man to take agency for Dirigo cream in Lowell and vicinity. Address, Dirigo Creamery Co., Beverly, Mass.

LADIES TO WRITE for us at home. No canvassing. Reply, enclosing stamp, Silver Fern Co., Aurora, Indiana.

TO LET—4 room flat at 634 Broadway.

TO LET—Sunny five room tenement on Moody street. Enquire at 521 Merrimack street.

TO LET—Very pleasant and sunny rooms newly furnished at 404 Bridge street.

WANTED—500 Ladies to call at the Union Supply, 65 Merrimack street, up one flight, room 2, to get dressed in good style. The best of garments, mackintoshes, dresses, wrappers and millinery. Cash or credit. Lowest of prices. Over Central Savings bank.

GOOD INVESTMENT—500 shares stock in active company for sale at $4 per share, must be sold to settle estate. Address post office box 1804, Boston.

FOR SALE—Near Chelmsford street. Good cottage house, near mills. Price, $1000. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

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FOR SALE—In Centralville, 7 room cottage house, in good repair, 8 minutes walk to mills. This is a bargain. Price, $1800. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

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WANTED—Your child to have Rosy Cheeks, Pure Blood, to rest well. Get a box of the Athan Worm and Scrofula Tablets at all druggists. Price 25c., prepaid, by the Lowell Chemistry Co.

FOR SALE—Just the place you want to make money on a 4 tenement block in Belvidere. Pays 12 per cent. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

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WANTED—500 young and old men to bring their old clothes to Fred. F. Lew's Dye house and Clothes Cleaning establishment at 477 Merrimack street, where he can make your old suit as good as new for a small sum.

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Friday Night Souvenirs—Every lady in the audience Friday evening will receive an autograph-photograph of Mrs. Georgie Dickson.

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Forecast for New England: Threatening weather, probably snow or sleet; continued cold, northeasterly winds; dangerous gales on the coast.

LOCAL NEWS.

Always wins, Old Hundred.

T. C. Lee, fire insurance. Donovan bl'd.

Sergt. Palmer has been confined to his home in Eighteenth street some days by illness.

The marriage of Gertrude Mae Farrington and Henry Isaac Pollard will occur Wednesday, Dec. 30.

David Dewar has been appointed clerk of the J. C. Ayer corporation, to succeed Benj. Walker, deceased.

Notices were issued by the registrars of voters yesterday that the recount of votes would begin this morning at 9.

Orders for coal promptly filled and satisfaction guaranteed by Roark & Sullivan, 984 Gorham street. Telephone 556-3.

Building materials are very low. You can get all mason's supplies of W. E. Livingston, 15 Thorndike street, at low figures.

Members of the First and Grace Universalist churches will have an old fashioned spelling match in Grace church tonight.

The main feature of last night's entertainment given by Lexington council, O. M. A. U., was the exhibition given by I. H. Sternberg, who played the tin whistle and gave several readings.

Dr. George A. Walton, agent of the Massachusetts state board of education, will lecture at the Training school for teachers, Friday evening, Dec. 18. Dr. Walton is an author of a series of successful text books and has a national reputation as a thinker and lecturer on educational subjects.

Burn Wilson's Coal.

£ Xmas Drafts £.

For sale payable in Ireland, England and Scotland at Murphy's agency, 18 Appleton street. 25 years in the business.

MAYOR COURTNEY

Calls on the Firemen at the Different Houses.

The firemen of the city had a visitor yesterday afternoon and they did not expect him either. Yesterday morning Mayor Courtney sent word to Chief Hosmer that he wanted to visit the different houses. Accordingly, yesterday afternoon, the Chief called at city Hall for the mayor, and together they called on the fire laddies. His Honor had a chance to see the different houses as they are, for he went to each one unannounced.

HERE IS A DEADLOCK

The Committee on Printing Cannot Come to Terms.

There is a deadlock in the committee on printing. There are four members on the committee and they stand divided, Alderman Flemings and Councilman Thornton on one side and Councilmen Nay and George against them.

It is customary to print the annual report of the school committee about April of each year. Now the school board wants a change; they would like to get the report out the first of the year, and they can't do it unless the committee on printing is willing. For this committee buys the paper. When the matter was presented, Alderman Flemings and Councilman Thornton favored it and the other two voted against it, so it was killed.

SOME CRISP GOSSIP.

At a boarding house in this city the other night the star boarder said to the cheerful idiot: "Say, where are you going tonight?"

C. I.: "Don't know."

S. B.: "Come to church with me. Fine service."

C. I.: "I don't mind but I hate to go way down front in a church. Are there any back seats in that church?"

And the landlady passed the sugar.

The group picture of the mayor and board of aldermen shows an excellent likeness of each member. Alderman Howe had his at city hall last night and had each alderman write his signature on the lower border.

Ten men listened to Mayor Courtney read the large grist of petitions recommendations and committee reports last night. It was the largest audience gathered in the gallery for several weeks.

City Solicitor Qua has on hand 500 cases of great or less importance in which the city is concerned at law. This is quite a grist of business for the solicitor to wade through.

SCHOOL CHILDREN'S EYES.

How Dr. Stephenson Proposes to Test Them.

A Sun reporter called on Dr. Stephenson yesterday to learn what method of examination he intends to employ should the school board authorize him to examine the eyes of the children.

In reply to the reporter's question the doctor said:

"I will use the letter test. That is, I will place a card containing rows of letters of different sizes at a distance of 20 feet and I will request the pupils to read the letters.

"In this way I can examine a number of pupils at a time. Should a pupil be unable to read a certain row of letters pointed out, I shall request him to step one side. Afterwards when I have discovered who are afflicted, I will treat each one separately.

"I will give all the time necessary to carry out my plans, and I feel that whatever is accomplished will be for the pupils' benefit. My object in conducting the examination is merely to obtain statistics which I consider valuable and which can be obtained in no other way.

"I will offer no treatment at any of the schools, but will send a note to the parents of the child, defining the nature of the ailment and suggesting that the child will be treated free of charge at the out-patient department of the Lowell General hospital or at the city dispensary by qualified oculists.

"Of course it rests entirely with the parents themselves whether or not any treatment is accorded the child."

Dolls and Toys.

We have got an elegant assortment of these necessary holiday goods at very low prices. Dickson Bros., the big ten dealers, 68 Merrimack street.

Les Miserables bowling alleys and billiard hall now open. East Merrimack street.

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origin in impure blood. It is

BETTER

than other sarsaparillas, better made, of better ingredients and by better methods. Its record of cures proclaims it the

BEST

A state convention of the ladies' auxiliary of the Hibernian order will be held in Hibernian hall today. It is expected that 90 delegates will attend.

Mr. Carolin's Will.

The late Thomas Carolin who died yesterday made provision in his will for the erection of a receiving tomb at memorial chapel in St. Patrick's cemetery. Until that is completed his body will remain in the receiving tomb in St. Joseph's cemetery, where it will be placed Friday. The funeral services will take place at the Immaculate Conception church.

MUNICIPAL SENSATION.

City Clerk of Minneapolis to be Arrested For Election Frauds.

Minneapolis, Dec. 16.—Minneapolis is apparently on the brink of a municipal sensation. The announcement that a warrant is out for the arrest of City Clerk Charles F. Haney, and that Haney is on his way to Mexico is received with astonishment. Haney was expected to go to Mexico Jan. 1, having been ordered by his physician. He left very suddenly last Friday night, and, although the local authorities have made every effort to arrest him before he crosses the border, they have not yet succeeded. The grand jury is now in session and is investigating a number of aldermen charged with boodling in paving, sewer and other contracts. It has leaked out that at least two indictments have been found and some other 30 are promised. The evidence has been gathered by Chicago detectives, under the direction of certain members of the Good Citizenship league. Among the charges made is one that the ballot boxes in the 11th ward were tampered with to secure the election of an alderman favorable to the combine.

The Panama Canal.

Paris, Dec. 16.—At the annual meeting of the new Panama company, the report which was presented expressed the conviction, with reference to the rival Nicaraguan project, that the United States, on weighing what was being done, would recognize the Panama canal as the best for securing their legitimate interests. The directors expressed their increasing confidence in the possibility of the undertaking.

Wool Growers Are Active.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Members of the National Wool Growers' association, of which Judge Lawrence of Ohio is president and W. G. Markham of Avon, N. Y., secretary, are to hold a meeting here, beginning today, to consider legislative matters pertaining to the interests of the wool growers. Each state wool growers' association is expected to send two delegates.

tainment was a very pleasant feature and the young people who participated were loudly applauded. The descriptive chorus "Baraba Freitchie" was given by the following young ladies:

Annie Coffee, Katie Larkin, Alice Fitzpatrick, Winnie Clancy, Maggie Linane, Elouise Murphy, Alice Cuff, Mary Murphy, Annie Conroy, Mary Higgins, J. D. Lynch, Susie McDonald, Alice Barnes, Jennie Murphy, Isabella Dunlavey, Mary J. McCusker, Mary Buckmaster, Mary Scott, Mary Maguire, Rose McQuillan, Mary Shinklven, Mary Fitzpatrick, Annie Foley, Maggie Shanley, Grace Spencer, Winnifred Reddan, Maggie Fennell.

Master Martin and Miss Mary Maguire sang "You Know, You Do," and were obliged to respond to an encore.

A very pretty tambourine drill and tableaux formed a fitting end to the excellent program. It was given by these ladies: Nellie Holden, Katie Holden, Katie O'Neil, Jennie Kerwin, Katie Hickey, Emma Mugnor, Nellie McCann, May Stafford, Maude Crowley, Maggie Muldoon, Annie Craigg, Nellie Gendron, Katie Kneafsey, Belle Pepper, Lizzie Sheehan, Lizzie Stanton, Frances Daley, Mary Monaghan, Bessie Fox, Jessie Donahue, Agnes Brady, Laura Fisher, Sarah and Katie Devine, Lizzie McLean.

Miss Mollie McGann was the accompanist.

The entertainment consisting of a performance by the Nightingale Minstrels, will be given tonight. "A Night With a Circus," is the piece to be presented.

Officers of New England Society.

New York, Dec. 16.—The New England society at its 91st annual meeting, held last night in the Fifth Avenue hotel, re-elected the following officers: President, Charles C. Beaman; first vice president, Henry E. Howland; second vice president, William E. Dodge; treasurer, William Dowd; secretary, George Wilson. Howland Davis, George H. Robinson, Morris K. Jesup and Austin B. Fletcher were elected directors, to serve until 1900. It was decided to hold the annual dinner on Forefathers' day, at the Hotel Waldorf.

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German Consumers Will Suffer.

London, Dec. 16.—The Daily News has a dispatch from Berlin, with reference to rumors of reprisals against American petroleum. It says that German consumers are likely to suffer more by the move than American exporters, Russia alone being scarcely able to supply Germany.

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tery. Last June, J. H. Keithline, a carpenter contractor, a widower, advertised for a housekeeper. Morris Pope and his wife answered the advertisement, and a contract was entered into, and the Popes were installed in Keithland's home. Mrs. Pope acted as housekeeper, and her husband paid his board. So far as known all parties got along peacefully. Saturday morning Keithline got up at the usual hour for his breakfast, and was seated in the dining room reading a newspaper, when Pope came into the room. Without saying a word, Pope pulled a revolver and fired a bullet into Keithline's head. Thinking he had killed him, Pope ran upstairs into his own room and fired a bullet into his own head. He died instantly. The doctor thinks Keithline will recover.

Light and Power Company Sold.

Dover, N. H., Dec. 16.—The Consolidated Light and Power company of this city, which has been in the hands of a receiver since Jan. 27, 1894, was sold at auction yesterday by order of the court. Hon. W. T. Cobb was the only bidder, and he purchased it for a syndicate for $200,000. The plant was mortgaged for $230,900, the first mortgage being held by the Rochester Loan and Banking company. H. L. Shepard of Rockport, Me., the receiver, will probably be appointed manager of the reorganized company.

Match Factory Blown Up.

Berlin, Dec. 16.—An explosion has destroyed Von Cromer's match factory at Aschaffenburg, in Bavaria. Two men and four girls were killed and many persons were injured.

Burkes' Meeting.

The Burkes admitted seven new members last evening and voted to hold a big festival in the spring. The smoke talk scheduled for last night was postponed one week.

Picturesque Lowell

Is the title of a very beautiful illustrated book just brought out by us. It contains 16 Lowell views and includes Merrimack street, Central street, City Hall, Memorial Building, High School, new Court House, Grace Church, Pawtucket Falls, the Armory, St. Anne's Church, Fort Hill Park, Church of the Immaculate Conception, Mills at Lowell, the Merrimack River from Andover Street, Lowell Jail and the grave of J. C. Ayer. The price is **25 cents.** Just the thing to send to your friends.

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From Stocks of J. Peavey & Bros., and Valentine & Rabinowitz, New York.

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No use to pay the full price for Pantaloons, Suits or Overcoats when you need pay only about 57 cents on the dollar. You simply pay for the value of the cloth, the cost of the making being the manufacturer's loss.

PANTALOONS

LOT 1887. Men's Black Worsted Finished Pants at 80c., worth $1.50.

LOT 3263. Men's Black Union Cheviot Pants at 98c., worth $1.75.

LOT 2580. In this lot we have 1200 pairs Men's Heavy Union Cassimere Hair Line Pants, in several styles, worth $2.50 and $3.00, at $1.40.

LOT 2009. This is the greatest value ever offered for the price. It embraces eight styles of neat, natty striped Worsted Pants, worth $3.50 to $4, our price is only $1.98.

LOT 3188. Is an extra fine, heavy hair line Lamb's Wool Cassimere Pants, very natty and very dressy, at $2.50, worth $5.00.

OVERCOATS

LOT 12. Men's Blue Elysian Overcoats at $2.50, worth $5.00.

LOT 48. Men's Plain Black Heavy Union Cassimere Overcoats, well trimmed, at $2.98, worth $5.00.

LOT 3136. Men's Plain Black and Plain Blue Extra Heavy Union Mellon Overcoats, at $3.62, worth $6.00.

LOT 8090. Men's Blue or Black Beaver Overcoats, lined with good, heavy, dark lining, at $4.48, worth $7.00.

LOT 5376. Men's very fine Black All-Wool Kersey Overcoats, cloth manufactured by the Madison Woolen Mills, lined and trimmed in a superior manner, at $5.95, worth $10.00.

SUITS

LOT 5057. Men's Black Cheviot Suits at $2.98, worth $5.00.

LOT 283. Men's Heavy Dark Mixed Cassimere Suits at $3.98, worth $6.00.]

LOT 5276. Men's Wool Wide Wale Undressed Worsted Cheviot Suits at $4.98, worth $8.00.

LOT 5802. Men's Heavy Fine All Wool Clay Worsted Suits at $6, worth $10.

LOT 1510. Men's Extra Heavy Pepper and Salt Dark Silk Mixed All-Wool Cassimere Suits, very suitable for middle-aged men, at $7.98, worth $15.00.

LOT 5779. Men's Heavy Dark Fancy Plaid Worsted Suits, very nobby, at $7.98, worth $15.00.

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We propose to do double our business of last year and have marked goods with that in view. Now come and examine. We don't expect you will buy the first time, but after you see the Mardi Gras prices and compare notes on your return, we are sure of a sale. Below are a few, very few of the many thousands of XMAS BARGAINS we have for our public.

Read These However and Come and Examine the Rest.

ALBUMS, ALBUMS

Albums in leather, celluloid and plush at from 49c to $2.98 each. The stock is now full. Come and get first choice

TESTAMENTS---2 specials

1 lot Testaments, full of knowledge for 25c

1 lot Testaments, better print, for 69c

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We have all kinds and all prices, but lower than you can buy elsewhere

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Household edition, choice $1 19

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Browning's poems complete $2 19

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Children's Books

Tens of thousands of Juvenile Books arranged into prices as follows, 5c. 10c, 15c, 19c, 25c and 39c

Wood's Natural History illustrated 25c

Playing Trades colored illustrations, a 50c book for 19c

Chatterbox, best yet, 69c

"Some say," L. E. Richard's new book, 49c each

Plush & Celluloid Boxes

These will be found in Dress Goods Dept. [where we are making Skirts free] The line is magnificent. We ask you to call and inspect same. You will find the boxes are of all shapes, makes and colors. The contents are as varied as the shapes; in some you find Stationery, others Manicure Sets, Toilet Sets, Glove Boxes, Shaving Sets, Smoking Sets, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Work Boxes, Handkerchief Boxes, etc. The prices are extremely low; they run from 10c to $10, and they'll all be sold.

GAMES, GAMES

Thousands of dollars to be sold in a few days. We have put prices on the goods to do it

Pillow Dex 19c

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Puzzles and all kinds of games for 5c

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A bran new line in all the new styles and leathers at prices unprecedented; we commence them at $1.25 and run up to $17.50

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All new shapes, leathers and colorings. The line is beautiful and the prices most reasonable; one in particular at 25c you want to see

BOOKS, BOOKS

Calendars, Booklets, Christmas Cards 1c up

Five Little Peppers at 98c is cheap

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Blue and Grey series, Around the World, by Oliver Optic, 97c

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Aunty's Elfland 25c

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Atomizers, Toilet Sets, Ink Stands and Mirrors

You will find these in our Toilet Dept, 2d aisle left Main Entrance

Toilet Sets, 3 pieces, in celluloid, etc at 69c set and up

Ink stands, a dandy line hand painted pattern, cut glass, etc. We start them at 25c and run to $2.69

Mirrors with easel, French plate glass, all shapes and sizes, from 25c to $5

Atomizers, a rich assortment in all the new tinted, glass and fancy etchings, 25c to $2 47 each

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At 25c we have a superior line of Bar Pins, Earrings, Scarf Pins, warranted Finger Rings, and a beautiful lot of Xmas novelties in Sterling Silver, all for 25c

At 49c our assortment is grand, Sterling Silver Top Side Combs is one of the new things, Broaches, Opera Chains, Neck Chains, Bar Pins

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At 49c Puzzle Blocks, Building Blocks, Carts, Engines, Trains, Kitchen Sets complete, Guns, Boats, Banjos, Chimes, etc, 49c

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Handkerchiefs, Silk Mufflers, Gloves, Men's Neckwear, Blankets, Towels, Table Sets and Dress Goods.

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THE FIRST CHURCH

Executive Session of the Council Today.

THE FINAL DECISION WILL BE GIVEN.

It is Expected to Favor the Rev. Mr. Kenngott.

Another round in the First Congregational church fight was begun this morning at 10 o'clock, when the ecclesiastical council convened for the purpose of deciding which faction should hold the pretty church.

Despite the miserable weather 32 of the 48 members of the council met at 10 o'clock in the auditorium behind closed doors, all parties being excluded.

When the meeting was called the presiding officer announced that all the evidence was in and the meeting was called for the purpose of rendering a decision if possible.

Quite a number of interested church members visited the scene of the trouble in the morning but the only information given them was conjecture and decidedly unreliable.

A reporter who started out to get opinions as to the outcome of the meeting found that sympathy superceded judgment in all cases.

It is stated, however that no matter how the result goes, the losing side will bring the matter into court and a suffering public will be obliged to bear with them for a few months to come.

Sympathy throughout the city is with Rev. Mr. Kenngott and his faithful followers.

What Mr. Richardson Says.

Hon. George F. Richardson says that the First Congregational church has ceased to exist. It was at the request of the First Trinitarian church that Mr. Richardson rendered his opinion and after reviewing the preliminaries leading up to the incorporation of the Trinitarian church he says:

"My opinion, therefore, is that chapter 404 of the Acts of the years 1887 is constitutional; that the proceedings taken for the incorporation of the First Congregational church in Lowell were in conformity to law, and that upon the granting of the charter to it under the name of the First Trinitarian Congregational church in Lowell, Mass., the voluntary association ceased to exist."

The annual meeting of the First Trinitarian church will be held next Monday evening and a notice to that effect has been posted on the door of Mechanics hall. A similar warrant was to be posted on the First church door, but the First church people would not allow it.

At 11 o'clock three of the old board of deacons and Rev. Mr. Kenngott were called into the executive meeting of the council to give new testimony.

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CITY COMMITTEE

Will Be Elected By Democrats December 28.

Caucuses for the election of members to the democratic city committee will be held Monday evening, Dec. 28. Candidates are requested to present their names to the secretary of the city committee on or before 9 o'clock, Saturday evening, Dec. 26. The Australian ballot system will be used in every ward.

The executive committee of the democratic city committee met last evening and appointed a committee to draw up resolutions on the death of Thomas Carolin.

MILL KINDLING IS DEAR when you buy of a dealer who sends his team out with a false bottom. We will give you $5 for every load you find leaving our yard fixed that way. Our load is the big load. WM. COGGER, 23 Concord street.

"Never Touched Him."

LADIES CONVENE

As Auxiliary to the Hibernian Lodges.

HON. E. J. SLATTERY AND OTHER OFFICIALS.

Attend the Banquet Held This Afternoon.

The first state convention of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the A. O. H., was called to order in Hibernian hall at 11 o'clock this morning.

Previous to the meeting the delegates from the various counties talked over matters that might claim the attention of the convention, and took steps to promote the candidacy of their respective favorites for the various offices.

The convention is entitled to 126 delegates, and Middlesex, Suffolk, Worcester, Norfolk and Plymouth counties are all represented.

Hon. E. J. Slattery of South Framingham, state president, called the convention to order, and among those in attendance are John P. Mahoney of this city, one of the leading Hibernians of the state; P. F. Cannon of Clinton, state secretary; Martin J. Roche of Charlestown, state treasurer; J. W. Glynn of Springfield, state vice president; John J. Rogers, president of Worcester county; J. M. Hayes, president of Plymouth county; and P. F. Morrison of Div. 8, Clinton, one of the best divisions in the state.

The convention is one of the most enthusiastic gatherings ever held in the city. When State President Slattery called to order he delivered a brief address, which was loudly applauded by the ladies. He praised the noble work of the Hibernians, expressed his thanks for the valuable assistance lent the order by the ladies' auxiliaries throughout the state, and then spoke of the advantages certain to arise from the state organization. Mr. Slattery is the temporary presiding officer, and he announced committees on by-laws, resolutions, credentials and press.

These committees met in the ante-room and after long sessions returned to the main hall. The convention then took a recess and the delegates adjourned to the Merrimack house for dinner. After dinner the various committee reports will be considered, and then will follow the election of officers.

It is almost certain that Miss Sullivan, president of the ladies' auxiliary of this city, and also county president, will be elected state president. This morning, the Worcester county delegates met in the main hall and it is likely that they will have a candidate for president.

Miss Sullivan's supporters met in the ante-room and all the delegates from Middlesex, Norfolk and Plymouth counties were there.

THE FIRST BIG STORM.

The Electric Cars Delayed—Travel Everywhere Blocked.

It's a dandy, a regular old-fashioned New England storm, snow with a little blizzard on the side, one of the characteristics of New Englandg since the time when the Pilgrims ran up against it in 1620.

It started to snow early this morning and the wind sent clouds of snow in all directions big drifts being frequent.

As yet but little damage has been done, but give this storm about 24 hours' work without cessation and there will be some trouble.

The Lowell and Suburban Street Railroad has been having troubles of its own without ringing in a blizzard and this morning put out snow plows and men to assist the few cars that are now stalled on the tracks.

The trouble at the power house seems to be a heated shaft.

Who does your printing? THE SUN job print would do it well and save you money.

LATEST

TRAGEDIAN ALEX. SALVINI

WELL KNOWN TO ALL OUR AMERICAN PLAYGOERS.

Died as a Result of Illness from Typhoid Fever—Sketch of His Career.

The lovers of the legitimate drama who have heard the young Salvini will be pained to hear of his death which occurred in Florence, Italy, after a long and severe illness.

Mr. Salvini some year or more ago was stricken down with typhoid fever in Montreal, and was obliged to cancel many engagements. He never fully recovered from this disease, but bore his ailments during the hard work of his American tour.

Educated as an engineer young Salvini's tastes all tended toward the stage, and after much opposition from his father he prepared himself for that profession. He came to this country in 1881 with Rossi. He made his professional debut in this country in February, 1882, as George Duhamel, with Clara Morris, in "L'Article 47."

Then for two seasons he supported Margarot Mather, and later he was in Shook and Collier's company, playing many parts. He was with his father in 1883-86 in this country, and in 1886 he joined A. M. Palmer's forces. After three years with this manager young Salvini again joined his father in his American tour, and then he started as a star.

A WIFE'S BLUFF.

Takes Her Life Despite Her Husband's Efforts.

New York, Dec. 16—Sarah Bohling quarrelled with her husband Charles last night and to frighten him drank half an ounce of carbolic acid. Before her husband realized it was really poison she had taken, his wife was dead.

Boulger's Shoe Stores.

The Boulger boot and shoe stores will be open for business every evening until after Christmas with the largest and best line of footwear to be had in the city at prices that defy competition. They also keep a large line of rubber goods, and if you are looking for bargains do not fail to read their ad. and then call at the stores, 115 Central street and 296, cor. of Bridge and Lakeview avenue. They want your money and will give you the best values you ever got in exchange for it.

Catarrh
Is just as surely a disease of the blood as is scrofula. So say the best authorities. How foolish it is, then, to expect a cure from snuffs, inhalants, etc. The sensible course is to purify your blood by taking the best blood purifier, Hood's Sarsaparilla. This medicine has permanently cured Catarrh in a multitude of cases. It goes to the root of the trouble, which is
Impure Blood.
"I have been afflicted with nasal catarrh which caused me severe headaches nearly every day. After trying numerous remedies without benefit, I decided to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. When I had taken three or four bottles I was completely cured of the catarrh and headaches." N. G. EGGLESTON, Rapid City, S. Dak.
Hood's Sarsaparilla
Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier.
Hood's Pills cure nausea, indigestion, biliousness. 25 cents.

MAYOR'S SALARY

The Aldermen Vote to Make It $3000.

VOTE A SIMILAR AMOUNT TO CITY SOLICITOR.

Purchasing Agent $2000—Farley Reappointed.

Every member of the board of aldermen attended the last regular meeting held last evening.

Mayor Courtney presided and called to order at 8.15. The committee on accounts submitted the report of Clarence Whidden who was employed to examine the accounts of the various departments and the report was accepted. The committee also presented an amendment to the ordinance providing for a system of keeping accounts in every department where money is received. It was referred to the committee on ordinance and legislation.

It was voted to put an electric light at the corner of Bridge and Tenth streets and a gas light on D street. Leave to withdraw was given the petitioners who asked for electric lights in Wilton avenue, West Fourth, Whipple, corner of June and Twelfth, corner of Shattuck and Middle and corner of Harvard and Chelmsford streets; for sewers in that portion of the city east of Fairmount and Boylston streets, in Tyler park, in Stevens street, in Hovey street; for abatement of sewer assessments in D street and Plain street. Henry G. Cushing was voted an abatement of sewer assessment, and a similar request from the Middlesex North Agricultural society was refused. James F. Holden was also granted an abatement of $30 on his sewer assessment.

Several reports were ordered to remain seven days in the city clerk's office.

The New England Telegraph and Telephone company was granted permission to set up poles in Nesmith and Wyman streets.

Several building permits were granted, and a few sewer assessments were approved.

The report of the committee on salaries, as already printed in the Sun, was read and accepted. The resolution authorizing the salaries as submitted by the committee was read. Alderman Dow said it is only proper that the salary of the mayor should be increased to $3000. I do not believe this sum is sufficient, but it is all that is allowed by the charter. Men fill this office at a financial loss. Other cities pay more than we do. He is called upon to pay $1000 in charities and social affairs. No matter what the politics of the mayor may be, he should receive a respectable salary. He moved as an amendment that the salary be $3000.

Alderman Fleming seconded the amendment, and Alderman Howe favored it; as he believed the duties of the mayor will be greatly increased next year.

Alderman Tryder said he believed in paying a man what he is worth, but it is a question if the city can afford to increase salaries now. The amendment passed.

Alderman Fleming moved to amend section five so as to increase the salary of the city solicitor from $2000 to $2500. An amendment to the amendment was offered to make the salary $3000 and to have the solicitor devote his whole service to the city.

The amendment was withdrawn, and the amendment to the amendment was passed.

Alderman Tucke moved to amend section 3, so that the salary of the city treasurer shall be $3000 instead of $2700.

Alderman Dow opposed the amendment. He said he thought $2700 was good compensation for the treasurer.

The amendment was defeated.

Alderman Dow moved as an amendment that the salary of the purchasing agent be $2000 instead of $2400.

The alderman said that the office is a mere experiment. It is easy to increase salaries, but it is difficult to reduce them. The amendment was passed.

The resolution as amended then passed.

Mayor Courtney nominated Philip J. Farley as trustee of the city library for five years. Alderman Dow moved to suspend the rule authorizing that all appointments remain on the table for three days. Alderman Tryder opposed suspension of the rule.

The motion passed and Mr. Farley's nomination was confirmed.

Fred Woodies was nominated and confirmed as a cemetery trustee for a term of two years.

On motion of Alderman Howe a ballot was taken for sinking fund commissioner. It resulted in the unanimous election of Fred A. Buttrick.

On motion of Alderman Tryder a vote of thanks was extended Mayor Courtney for the kind and courteous manner in which he has presided over the meetings of the board of aldermen.

Several speeches in praise of the mayor's work were delivered.

Mayor Courtney expressed his appreciation of the act of courtesy toward him. He praised the aldermen for their capable service to the city and thanked them for their kindness to him during the year.

"Every alderman has done much to help me along in my administration. There is not an alderman in this board who has not gone out of his way at some time or another to assist me. He referred to the work required of an alderman and the sacrifice he must make. In behalf of the citizens he thanked each and every one of them.

The mayor also referred to the late Alderman McAlvin as an official, faithful to the city's interests.

A vote of thanks was also extended to Chairman Tryder and City Clerk Dadman.

The board then adjourned.

Police Court—Hadley, J.

Only three drunks.

And one of them fined.

James Cleary, who, while drunk, it is claimed, voted illegally on election day, was continued until December 23.

Alfred Frezzena, Peter Couture and Joseph Myers were fined $3 each for obstructing the streets.

Everett Atkins was charged with cruelty to a horse and Nellie Atkins with giving false answers to an officer of the law. Both were held in $200 for trial Dec. 28.

David Fitzgerald was in court on complaint of Agent Knapp of the board of health for alleged violation of a city ordinance in not clearing out a vault.

THEATRICAL NEWS.

The Savoy.

"True hearts are more than coronets and simple faith than Norman blood." The trite old saying is elaborated into an interesting comedy entitled "Casto," which was presented for the first time in Lowell at the Savoy theatre, last evening, under most trying difficulties. The production was to have received its initial performance Monday evening but owing to the illness of Mr. Weston, coming unexpectedly, the opening was postponed until last evening when Mr. Charles Fleming, with only twenty-four hours' preparation assumed the role with far more success than was expected, his shortcomings being quickly overshadowed by the excellent work of the other members of the company. The play itself is interesting, though by no means thrilling, and the best is made of its fine points by the seven players in the cast.

Miss Cora Edsall, the charming leading lady, made a most favorable impression upon the large and critical audience present, for in the emotional line she has been equalled but by few actresses who have entertained local audiences. In the character of Esther Eccles, Miss Edsall had no great opportunity to display her unusual talent but, nevertheless, her work last evening was superb and delighted the most critical. Possessed of a fair face, fine form and sweet voice, she acted the part of the poor but noble girl with a dignity and grace that was refreshing; ever she character never the actress.

And naive little Lydia Knott, how hard she worked. She made a distinct success last evening if she never did before and she has. There was not a flaw in her portrayal of pretty Polly Eccles, a younger sister brim full of romance.

As the Marquise de St. Maur, the cold and dignified matron whose rule of life is "Noblesse Oblige," Mrs. Georgie Dickson was a success. The male characters were well portrayed, Mr. Wright perhaps a trifle stagey, for a precise critic, and with Mr. Burress the particularly successful one. In his conception of the drunkard father of the two beautiful daughters, Mr. Burress cleverly removes the depressing influence of the repulsive part and surprises even his friends by his grand conception and admirable portrayal of the most difficult role in the cast. The settings and costumes were very agreeable and on the whole the performance was first class throughout and worthy of liberal patronage.

Mr. Weston will positively appear this afternoon and for the rest of the week.

INDUSTRY COUNCIL

Royal Arcanum—List of Charter Members—Officers Elected.

Industry Council, Royal Arcanum, recently instituted, held a regular meeting last evening. The election of officers took place according to rule the board first chosen being re-elected. The charter list of members is as follows:

Thomas P Boulger	George F Maguire
Hugh H Brogan	John E Maguire
Edward W Cahill	William H Mahoney
John J Cluin	Rev John McKenna
James P Corrigan	James J McMammon
William J Coughlin	Hugh C McOsker
William H Cox	Daniel S O'Brien
Patrick J Custy	Dennis O'Brien
Daniel J Donahue	Maurice J O'Connor
Daniel P Doyle	Thomas E O'Day
John E Drury	James F O'Donnell
Philip J Farley	Florence J O'Donoghue
James W Finnegan	Henry J O'Dowd
Patrick J Frawley	Jeremiah O'Neill
Edward Gallagher	Thomas F Quirk
Joseph H Gormley	William J Reardon
Andrew J Halpin	Daniel F Reilly
George M Harrigan	Timothy J Reynolds
William H Harrigan	Patrick Shelvey
Thomas F Harrington	James H Sullivan
Edward E Hill	John B Swift
John J Horan	Hugh Walker
Robert F Hurley	

THEY ARE NOT SLOW.

Overseers of Poor Journey to New York for Something or Other.

The overseers of the poor are off on a junket to New York. They left quietly Monday evening and took Col. Pindar with them. Every member of the board went, and the object of their journey to the metropolis is not known and will not be known, till they return. Probably they are looking for a new ambulance. They will be back Friday evening.

See locals on page 3.

Dr. Edward J. Shanahan, formerly of this city, was elected physician to Knights of Columbus at Taunton, Mass.

To Rebuild "Constitution."

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Portsmouth, N. H., Dec. 16.—Petitions are being circulated here to send to congress asking an appropriation to rebuild the historical war vessel "Constitution."

FRIEZE ULSTERS
THE TEST IF YOU WANT THE
BEST.
This is a practical age and no man will be fooled in buying an ulster if he will apply this test.
34 ounces of Wool in every yard of Frieze in the
MERRIMACK $12 ULSTER
Is the test no other $12 Ulster can equal.
When you buy a Merrimack $12 Ulster you get the wool on your back where it will do the most good.
No matter what the name of the Ulster or who offers it to you, demand 34 ounces of wool to the yard of Frieze. Don't take 28 or 30 or 32 and the balance pulled over your eyes. Come and get the
"MERRIMACK."
It is the best because it bears the test.
MERRIMACK Fashion Corner Opp. City Hall CLOTH'G CO.

THE SUN EXTRA

5 O'CLOCK

TERRIFIC STORM

Raging Along the Atlantic Coast.

MUCH DAMAGE DONE TO SAILING VESSELS.

Trolley Lines Suffer Throughout New England.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Dec. 16.—The predicted storm struck the city about 10 o'clock last night. The snow soon began falling and this morning it is very thick in the harbor. Few vessels are moving.

The storm seems to extend along the entire Atlantic coast and hardly any steamers scheduled to sail today ventured out. No serious damage is reported at any New England point, but a severe storm has generally impeded business and traffic.

At New York.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New York, Dec. 16.—The storm which set in yesterday developed into a snow and sleet storm and continued with great force this morning. It is thick off shore, wires are down and there are no reports from the life savers. Travel in the harbor is greatly impeded. Only two steamers reached port this morning, Starlight from Swansea and Asloun from China ports. Steamers will probably not sail today.

At New Haven.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 16.—A snow storm of unusual severity is raging in this section. Six inches of snow have fallen. The fall term of Yale university closed today for the Christmas recess.

Seven Inches of Snow.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 16.—The snow is seven inches deep. The storm is still raging, schools are closed, and business is at a standstill.

Damage in New York.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Nyack, N. Y., Dec. 16—There were high snow drifts this morning in some parts of the county. Some damage was done by wind. The thermometer registers 18 above zero.

Storm in Connecticut.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New London, Conn., Dec. 16.—This harbor is crowded with sailing craft on account of the storm which is one of the worst in years. The sound steamers were late and in the city trolley lines are affected.

Wants Annexation.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

San Diego, Cal., Dec. 16.—The secret of Henry Cooper's mission to the United States is out. Mr. Cooper is Hawaiian minister of foreign affairs. He is quoted as saying he came to the United States to urge annexation, owing to the fears the Hawaiian government has of Japan.

Over Fifteen Killed.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Munich, Dec. 16.—The loss of life by an explosion which destroyed the Von Gromer match factory at Aschaffenburg is much greater than previously reported. Fifteen women and girls were killed and many fatally and seriously injured.

To Petrify Bodies.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Chicago, Dec. 16—Charles D. and Frank D. Boydston of this city claim to have discovered a method for petrifying human bodies, and preserving them forever.

Cuban Recruits.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 16—There are already over 300 Cuban recruits enrolled here.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 16—A large company is being organized here under Edward Hastings to join Cuban insurgents.

HOT FROM THE WIRE.

The Hamburg American line steamer Thuringia, from Hamburg, Nov. 13 and Havre 17th for West India, is ashore off Point Curacao, Venezuela.

Considerable testimony describing the plans of the barkentine Herbert Fuller took up opening hours in today's session of the Bram trial.

The presentation of a silver service to the cruiser Marblehead by Marblehead citizens here this afternoon, was postponed until tomorrow on account of the storm.

Well Worth Investigating.

Some of the results caused by the use of the Mexican Remedies seem remarkable. Read what one of your neighbors say. "I have been troubled with rheumatism for a long time. The pain in my shoulder has been so severe that I could not raise my arm or get my coat on without assistance. After taking Zyno for one week I can say that I do not feel a pain of any kind. Robert Boyds, 156 Market street." This is only one case out of a rapidly growing list. Samples free at office, 32 Central street, opp. Middle street.

Great ulster weather.
About every kind and price to be found here—as low as $5.00—as high as $25.00, with all prices between.
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166 Central Street.

A HOT ELECTION.

At St. Michael's Y. M. C. L. I. Last Evening.

The election of officers at the Y. M. C. L. I. of St. Michael's church last evening resulted as follows: President, Stephen Duffy; vice president, William Morrissey; recording secretary, Harry Donahoe; financial secretary, Philip Donohoe; treasurer, Richard McCluskey; board of trustees, J. Duffy, R. Blinkhorn, G. Carey, J. Costello, F. Walsh; board of examiners, Thos. Garity, D. Donahoe and T. Kinlan; literary committee, F. O'Connell, J. Blinkhorn, D. McKenna and W. Hickey; marshal, Martin Meagher; Rev. Fr. Soannell, spiritual advisor.

DEATHS.

ELY—Mrs. Laura M. Ely widow of the late Joseph H. Ely, and a prominent member of the High street church died yesterday at her home, 155 Stackpole street. She leaves one son, F. W. Ely of Greenfield, N. H.

WHITEHORN—Mr. William H. Whitehorn, one of Lowell's old residents, died at his home on Beacon street yesterday morning after a long and painful illness, aged 72 years. He was born in Apponang, R. I., in 1824, and previous to coming to Lowell resided in Newport, R. I.

Mr. Whitehorn leaves a widow and two daughters, Mrs. Andrew J. Coburn of Troy, Vt., and Miss Mercena F. Whitehorn, a teacher in the Moody school. He was a member of Mechanics lodge, I. O. O. F.

THE RECOUNT COMMENCED.

Eastman Gains One Vote in Precinct One, Ward One.

The registrars of voters commenced the recount of the aldermanic vote at 10 o'clock this morning. At 11.15, they had finished the first precinct of ward one and the only change discovered was a gain of one vote for Eastman.

Abbott Lawrence was on hand and anxiously watched the progress of the count.

Arthur Salmon was there in the interest of Col. Bennett and Secretary Tully of the democratic city committee inspected the work of the counters.

"Lost" Steamer Arrived.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Hamburg, Dec. 16.—The German mail steamer Edward Boheln reported lost at sea has arrived safely at Las Palmas, Canary Islands.

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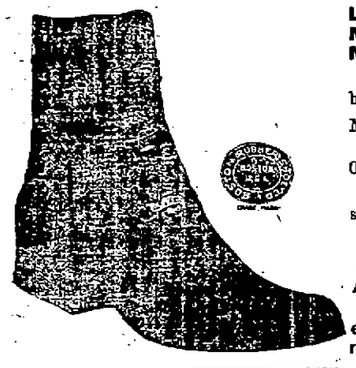
Ladies' Rubbers . . 25c.
Misses' " . . . . 19c.
Mens' . . . . . 39c.
Men's Woonsocket Rubber Boots best quality, $2.75.
Men's Buckle Arctics, 98c.
Men's Light Buckle Arctics, Opera and Needle Toes, $1.50.
Ladies' Button Overgaiters, all sizes, 15c.
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Spain is tottering to her fall.

The course of freedom is growing stronger in Cuba and sympathy for that cause is also increasing.

The new St. Jean Baptiste church is a credit to the French people of Lowell in architectural beauty and elegance.

Tom Watson is now giving all his attention to the law. He collected plenty of evidence during the late campaign.

The Sun's scoop of Monday on the romantic escapade in Centralville, was copied by our contemporaries on Tuesday.

It seems that some youths of the present day show much precocity in wrong doing, that juvenile burglar in Brockton for example.

If the report of the Maceo butchery be true, whole regiments of volunteers will leave this country to join the insurgents in vanquishing Weyler.

It appears from the report of Clarence Whidden that there is room for embezzlement in many of the city departments. In order to be safe it will be necessary to appoint a number of new officials to watch those who handle the money.

Fitchburg is logrolling to get a bill through congress for the erection of a public building. It will be to Fitchburg's interest to select a site without having the city divided into sections in an endless controversy over the location.

Mr. Redmond is drawing large houses as a lecturer in this country. His audiences are composed chiefly of those who have not followed his course in Irish politics and who know not of his acts of party treachery perpetrated as a follower of Parnell and a friend of Ireland.

Clerk McLaughlin of the house was beaten by A. P. A. influence and his successor, Mr. Sleeper proved an utter failure, wholly incompetent for the position. It will be in order at the opening of the legislature to reinstate McLaughlin or somebody who is equally well qualified for the place. It is not too late to right the wrong.

THE PROBABILITIES OF CONGRESSIONAL ACTION.

The country is to be given a period of tariff tinkering by congress but nobody need be scared over the proposition to push the Dingley bill for it will be pushed out of existence.

It is already clear that President Cleveland will not sign it and there will not be a vote sufficient to pass it over his veto.

Indeed it is now very plain that apart from the president's veto power six senators stand in the way of its passage.

They are the six senators who did not respond to the call of the republican leaders to caucus.

It is by no means certain that they will vote against a bill such as that in question but being believers in free silver they cannot consistently favor such a bill because it can never accomplish the end in view while the gold standard is maintained.

To erect a high protective wall and at the same time preserve the gold standard is to tear down with one hand what is built up with the other.

It is now probable that those senators will not vote for any protective measure unless it has attached a provision for opening the mints to free coinage of silver, as tariff duties build up a bounty on imports from silver using countries as a premium on gold that destroys the effect of those duties.

But these six senators hold the balance of power in the senate so that the defeat of the Dingley bill becomes doubly certain.

The present tariff, therefore, will not be changed by the 54th congress and it may be far along in the 55th congress, before the republicans get their tariff scheme carried into effect.

That there will be an extra session is pretty sure as a means of overcoming the failure to pass the Dingley bill, but that will not ensure the passage of a high tariff measure. In the next senate the silver protectionists will hold the balance of power as at present, so that there is little probability that they will allow any tariff measure to pass without an amendment providing that the U. S. mints shall be opened.

These same men in the senate will join their sympathizers in the house in opposing the contractionists. Between protectionists and contractionists there will be a hard time battling for popular rights. The contractionists want to retire greenbacks, contract the currency and then put the monetary question into the hands of a commission to be controlled by the Morgans and the Rothschilds of England.

This is what Hanna hopes for, but should such a state of affairs come to pass, it would result in an oppressive oligarchy that would precipitate a revolution.

Republicans Elect a Majority of Aldermen.

QUIET ELECTION AND A LIGHT VOTE

Results in Five Other Mass. Cities.

Boston, Dec. 16.—The six cities holding elections yesterday complete the 32 municipalities of the state. As in the other 26 elections, national and state politics played but little part in the contest, except in this city and in Lynn. In the latter city the contest was between a straight Republican candidate and a fusion backed by the Populists and socialists, and owing to a reduction in wages, which the shoe workers ascribed to the Republicans, the latter candidate was elected in a city which endorsed McKinley a month ago. The city also changed from a no license to a license city.

The total vote for license in the 32 cities of the state is: Yes, 124,776; no, 104,695; majority for license, 19,184. In 1895 the vote was: Yes, 119,365; no, 105,639; majority for license, 13,726.

The only changes were Haverhill from license to no license, and Lynn vice versa.

BOSTON'S ELECTION.

Republicans Elect Seven of Twelve Aldermen and School Committee.

Boston, Dec. 16.—The Republicans had the advantage in the city election yesterday, although in the absence of a mayoralty contest, the result is somewhat mixed. Of the 14 candidates for the 12 aldermanic positions, the Republicans have elected seven, and the Democrats five. The city voted for license by a majority which, while somewhat smaller than in previous years, was relatively the same, owing to the light vote. There was a falling off of 30 per cent from the national election a month ago.

The only rival candidates voted upon by the entire city were those running for street commissioner, and a one year member of the school board. In the former, the Democrats won by a small majority, while another colored Republican candidate, Dr. Samuel E. Courtney, was elected on the school board, his majority being about 2000.

The result of the vote for single candidates was as follows: Street commissioner—Duane (Dem.), 30,228; Cram (Rep.), 29,819; school committee, one year—Dr. Courtney (Rep.), 33,449; Dasey, (Dem.), 31,503. The aldermen elected are: Barry (Dem.), Berwin (Rep.), Codman (Rep.), Colby (Rep.), Dean (Dem.), W. F. Donovan (Dem.), W. J. Donovan (Dem.), Dyer (Rep.), Lee (Dem.), Lott (Rep.), Paige (Rep.) and Presho (Rep.).

License vote: Yes, 30,426; no, 26,829.

Fusion Swept the City.

Lynn, Mass. Dec. 16.—Walter L. Ramsdell, the fusion candidate for mayor, nominated by the Democratic, Citizens, Reform and Populist parties, swept the city yesterday, receiving 1940 votes more than his Republican opponent, Ex-Senator Charles H. Baker. The result is attributed chiefly to Baker's connection with the Lynn Gas and Electric company, which has a big contract to renew with the city the present year, and to the policy among the shoe operatives against voting for a shoe manufacturer for mayor. Mr. Ramsdell made a thorough canvass from the stump, while Baker did nothing in that line, relying upon the big normal Republican vote to pull him through. The city goes license by 2275 majority, which is considered remarkable, in view of the fact that last year it went no by 893. Mr. Ramsdell, in an interview, attributes his election to the effect of a cut in wages in this city recently. The vote was as follows: Charles H. Baker (Rep.), 3913; Walter L. Ramsdell (Cit., Dem., Pop.), 5853. The city councils are Republican.

More Quiet Than Usual.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 16.—The election in this city passed off yesterday with more than the usual quietude, there being a decided falling off in the vote for all city officials. Alvin F. Sortwell was elected mayor, to succeed Colonel William A. Bancroft, Mr. Sortwell's opponent being ex-State Highway Commissioner George A. Perkins. State politics played no part whatever in the election, both candidates for mayor being Democrats, notwithstanding the city is strongly Republican. Perkins came into the contest very late, running on nomination papers, and made a very good showing for such a short canvass. The vote for mayor was: Alvin F. Sortwell, 5845; George A. Perkins, 4069. License vote: Yes, 3872; no, 5753. The aldermen and common council are entirely non-partisan, as is the school committee.

A. P. A. Candidate Beaten.

Chelsea, Mass., Dec. 16.—Alderman Herman W. Pratt was elected mayor yesterday by a majority of 2305 over John T. Hadaway. Pratt was the Republican candidate, and received the endorsement of the Citizen's party; while Hadaway ran on nomination papers and was supported by the A. P. A. There were a number of exciting contests for places on the board of aldermen and the school committee. The city continued in the no-license column, but by a decreased majority. The vote for mayor was: Pratt, 3519; Hadaway, 1214. License: Yes, 2348; no, 2680.

A Quiet Election.

Newburyport, Mass., Dec. 16.—Election passed off quietly here, and almost as large a vote as last year was polled. One of the principal features of the election was the part taken by the Municipal league, which endorsed candidates where there was a contest, and succeeded in electing three out of four aldermen endorsed, and 15 out of 18 councilmen. The city went yes by a majority of 135. Mayor Andrew R. Curtis (Ind. Cit.) was re-elected without opposition.

Charges Against Tamsen Dismissed.

Albany, Dec. 16.—Governor Morton has dismissed the charges against Sheriff Tamsen of New York, and says, in his dismissal: "This summary of the charges and the evidence clearly shows that William Tamsen has tried to properly perform the duties of his office, and has endeavored to exercise adequate supervision over the conduct of his subordinates."

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trial yesterday, after the jury had been polled, the long indictment found against the prisoner, charging him with the murder of Captain Charles I. Nash, was read to the jury, the prisoner standing during the time with uplifted hand. On [illegible]tion of District Attorney Hoar, Mr. [illegible]ter consenting, all the witnesses in the case with the exception of experts, were excluded from the courtroom. After this order had been complied with, amid the closest attention, Mr. Hoar made his opening for the government, giving a careful statement of the government's case and narrating his theory of the murder of Captain Nash.

After three minor witnesses had been heard, Darius H. Ingraham, United States consul general at Halifax, identified the defendant as having been arrested under his order and confined in the jail at Halifax, on July 21. After taking the deposition of the defendant and other members of the crew of the Herbert Fuller, witness ordered them to be taken to the United States on the steamer Halifax in the custody of Officer Clyde of Halifax. The statement of the defendant was read to him, and he signed it under oath.

An attempt to introduce the document as evidence caused a legal controversy at once, which was continued until recess was taken.

At the opening of the afternoon session the prisoner's counsel continued his contest against the admission of the document, and in arguing the matter, cited precedents, notably that of the Lizzie Borden case, in which the three justices decided that the statement obtained in the preliminary examination was not competent, inasmuch as the defendant was in duress, the marshal having a warrant for her arrest in his pocket at the time of the examination.

Judge Colt decided that the deposition be excluded for the present although he said that the government might renew its contest for its admission if it desired. This was considered an important decision for the defense.

PUGILIST SHARKEY.

Denies All Stories of His Trainers as to the Injury Received In His Groin.

San Francisco, Dec. 16.—The Fitzsimmons-Sharkey witnesses yesterday gave no sensational testimony, but Fitzsimmons' friends say they are now able to prove that a doctor performed an operation on Sharkey to produce external evidence of apparent foul, and that he was paid $1000 for the service.

Danny Lynch, Sharkey's manager, denied all knowledge of a conspiracy; said that neither he nor Sharkey was a member of the National club and declared that Referee Earp had no pecuniary interest in the check for $10,000. On cross-examination by Fitzsimmons' counsel, Lynch was asked if he had ever been prohibited from racing at the local track, and why. An objection from Sharkey's attorney saved the witness the possible embarrassment of a reply.

A sporting reporter said he witnessed the fight, but saw no foul blow struck by Fitzsimmons.

Thomas Sharkey's testimony was simply a denial of the stories told by his trainers, Billy Smith and George Allen. He never heard of a conspiracy before the fight. He declared that Fitzsimmons struck him a foul blow in the groin. When asked why he screamed, as if in pain, when he was with Dr. Lee in the dressing room after the fight, Sharkey said that Lee had pressed his groin hard during the examination after Fitzsimmons' blow and that the pressure caused great pain. He stated he still suffered pain from injuries in his groin.

Several amateur sporting men testified that the recent meeting was not a prize fight, but a glove contest, so that the court could take no cognizance of the present action.

Buffalo the Convention City.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—It has not been officially announced, but it is generally agreed at national Women's Christian Temperance union headquarters, that the 1897 convention of that body will be held in Buffalo. A most hearty invitation has just been received from Buffalo, and the assurance is given that the city will make every effort to make the convention a success. There are six unions in the city and they have the cordial support of the business men.

Notorious Ed Reed Killed.

Claremore, I. T.; Dec. 16.—Ed Reed, who on year ago killed the two Crittenden brothers, outlaws, at Wagoner, was himself shot and killed here Monday night while creating a disturbance. He had been arrested earlier in the evening for firing several shots in a saloon, and was placed under bond for appearance later. After being released Reed returned to the saloon, brandishing his revolver, and was fired at by a deputy sheriff. One shot took effect in the neck and another just over the heart. The dead man was a son of the notorious Belle Starr.

President's Shooting Party.

Georgetown, S. C., Dec. 16.—The presidential party enjoyed splendid sport off South Island yesterday. This morning the sport was resumed for a short time, when the party joined a deer drive, arranged by General Alexander Hazard. This afternoon they will abandon their camps and go to the Annandale clubhouse, from which the marsh will be visited for ducks for several days succeeding. It is given out that the president will remain indefinitely, there being no limit to his time.

Hutchins Buys a Newspaper.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Ex-Congressman C. C. Conn of Indiana yesterday sold the Washington Morning and Evening Times to Stilson Hutchins of this city. Mr. Hutchins has placed John H. Oberly, formerly commissioner of Indian affairs, in charge of the paper. The Times was established in 1894, as a co-operative enterprise, by printers, but early passed into the hands of Mr. Conn, who had retired from congress.

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Public Session of Grange at Manchester, N. H.

Manchester, N. H., Dec. The 23d annual session of the New Hampshire State Grange was opened here yesterday morning. All of the 14 Pomona granges and most of the 249 subordinate granges were represented. The gathering is one of the largest in the history of the state.

The morning session was occupied with the opening ceremonies and work of the credentials committee. At the afternoon session the reports of the officers were presented. That of the treasurer shows a cash balance of $3714.21 and a permanent fund for assets of $7626.89. There has been a net gain of 1400 members during the year.

At the evening session in Mechanics' hall, the public was admitted, and a large number were present. An address of welcome was made, on behalf of the city, by Mayor Clarke, to which a response was made by N. J. Bacheller of East Andover, master of the state grange. The board of trade, through which the invitation to the body to meet in this city was extended, presented its greetings through General Charles H. Bartlett, its president, the response for the grange being made by Hon. N. B. Bryant of Andover. G. Waldo Browne of Manchester, master of Amoskeag grange, also welcomed the visitors to the city.

The other speakers were Hezekiah Scammon of Exeter, lecturer of the state grange; General George Austin Bowen of Connecticut, high priest of the seventh degree, the highest office in the order, and Secretary H. W. Eastman of the board of trade. Mr. Eastman invited the state grange, on behalf of the board of trade, to meet in Manchester next year. This state body was organized in this city, and held its first 19 meetings here. The two following were held in Concord. The wish was expressed by Mr. Eastman that the next 19 might be in Manchester.

The Oberon ladies' quartet of Laconia furnished musical selections throughout the evening. At the close of the public meeting the grange went into secret session, but no business of importance was transacted.

MAINE'S STATE GRANGE.

It Opens at Augusta With the Largest First Day Attendance Ever Known.

Augusta, Me., Dec. 16.—Yesterday's meeting of the grange opened with the largest attendance yet on record for the first regular day. Worthy Master Wiggin of Aroostook gave the opening address, and was listened to with attentive ears. He spoke for some time, especially upon the success of the meetings held in the past, also the way it will be kept on in the future. He thinks that there are yet many towns in the state where granges are needed, and great efforts should be made to form such.

Since Sept. 30, 1895, eight new granges have been established in different parts of the state, also one pomona. The total number of granges at present is 233; members, 20,128. The gain in membership in the last year has been 1534. The receipts at the secretary's office for the year ending Sept. 30 have been $3509.72. Orders have been drawn to the amount of $2908.47. Disbursements, paid National Grange dues, four quarters, ending June 30, $920.35; orders of master and secretary, $2908.47, which makes a balance in the treasury of $7605.48.

The day was devoted mostly to reports and regular business.

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WEYLER WILL GO

He Will Be Succeeded By Gen. Marin.

THE GOVERNMENT IS DISSATISFIED HIM.

His Successor Has Seen Much Military Service.

Madrid, Dec. 16.—According to surface indication, Captain General Weyler will soon be relieved of his command in Cuba. The discontent with Weyler is noticeable even in the government organs. They say that instead of going to Habana to receive an uninerited ovation he ought to have continued the military operations in the province of Pinar del Rio.

A bad impression has also been created here by the dispatches of the Spanish correspondents at Habana, announcing that General Weyler has suppressed all dispatches referring to the ovations in Spain in honor of Major Cirujeda. It is supposed that the captain general's action was due to jealousy, and it is currently represented that the government is disposed to replace Weyler by General Marin, now governor of Porto Rico.

General Marin has seen considerable military service in the cause of Spain, having participated in the last Cuban war. At that time he had for adversaries on the insurgent side some of the men who figure prominently in that service today.

General Marin came to Cuba permanently with Martinez Campos when the latter was appointed captain general of the island. He acted as captain general when Campos was in the field against the insurgents, and when Campos was recalled, as a result of the dissatisfaction of the Spanish government with his campaign, Marin took his place during the interim between the departure of Campos and the arrival of Weyler. With the advent of Weyler, Marin was appointed governor of Porto Rico. General Marin is about 50 years of age.

Trial of Competitor's Crew.

Habana, Dec. 16.—The second trial of the crew of the American schooner Competitor, captured on April 29 last by a Spanish gunboat, while apparently landing a filibustering expedition on the coast of Cuba, is still in its preliminary stages and, consequently, according to Spanish law, the proceedings are yet private. It is expected that the case will shortly pass into open court, when all the features of the case will be made public. The stories circulated in the United States of the secret trial, sentencing and the approaching execution of the prisoners are false.

Fighting In Cuba Reported.

Cincinnati, Dec. 16.—A special to The Commercial Tribune from Key West says: Fighting is reported west of the trocha, in Pinar del Rio section, where the insurgents, under Maceo's successor, General Ruis Rivera, have taken the field against the Spanish forces left there by General Weyler. No details have been received yet, but 50 wounded soldiers came in from the neighborhood of Artemisa.

Doctors Pity Cuban Suffering.

St. Paul, Dec. 16.—The physicans of St. Paul, aroused by the reports of suffering among the Cubans, have started a subscription list throughout the profession for money with which to buy medicine and bandages to send by way of Tampa, Fla., direct to the camps and towns of the insurgents.

Julio Sanguilly's Trial.

Habana, Dec. 16.—It is understood that the retrial of the case of Julio Sanguilly, sent back on April from the supreme court of Madrid, will not occur until Jan. 8.

Diabolical Plot Discovered.

St. Louis, Dec. 16.A special to The Republic from Belton, Tex., says: What is supposed to have been a plot to blow up the handsome new opera house was discovered here yesterday. Four large sticks of dynamite, wrapped in a German paper, were found in a window. The fuse attached had burned part of the way, but had burned out. There was enough of the stuff to have wrecked the opera house, the $20,000 courthouse and other adjacent buildings, had it exploded.

Labor Troubles Imminent.

New Bedford, Mass., Dec. 16.—Reports which have been received by Secretary Ross of the National Mule Spinners' association show that the situation in mills in the western part of the state is far from satisfactory. In short, Adams and Chicopee are threatened with a protracted strike, and the spinners in the Lyman mills at Holyoke are already out.

Will Die From His Injuries.

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 16.—Arthur Whitney, a barber, was fearfully burned last night and will probably die from injuries received. He was in bed, sick with neuralgia, and his mother was heating alcohol over a gas stove. The alcohol took fire, and Whitney jumped out of bed and attempted to put out the blaze by blowing it. His nightshirt caught fire, and he rushed out into Main street. He was taken to the Springfield hospital and is not expected to live.

Reception to Joe Rice.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 16.—Joe Rice, who won the second prize in the six days' bicycle race in New York last week, received a royal greeting upon his return home here. He was met at the depot by the mayor of the city and prominent citizens. A procession, headed by several brass bands, paraded the streets. At the opera house a reception was held, Mayor Nichols presiding, and speeches were made by prominent citizens.

Death Sentence Commuted.

Columbus, O., Dec. 16.—Governor Bushnell yesterday afternoon commuted the sentence of Frank Tierney, who was to have been executed Thursday morning, to imprisonment for life. Tierney was convicted of shooting and killing Frank Hupman, a fellow tramp, in a box car near Huron, May 25, 1896. Governor Bushnell thought there was sufficient doubt of Tierney's guilt to warrant commutation.

Victory For Lauterbach.

New York, Dec. 16.—Conventions for the election of delegates to the Republican county committee for 1897 were held in all the assembly districts of this city last night. The result was a victory for the regular ticket, and nearly all of the delegates returned are supporters of Edward Lauterbach for re-election as chairman of the committee.

OFFICIAL ATTENTION.

Is Attracted to the Enlistment of Men to Join the Cuban Insurgents.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The attention of officials here has been attracted by the stories coming from all portions of the country indicating that enlistments are going on of parties of men to go to Cuba to join the insurgents in their struggle against the Spaniards. These enlistments are in direct violation of the neutrality laws, and are prohibited under severe penalties. For accepting a commission to serve against Spain, a country with which the United States is now at peace, the penalty prescribed by section 5281, revised statutes, is $1000 fine and three years' imprisonment, while for enlistment to serve against Spain or hiring any one to enlist, the penalty is almost as heavy, being a maximum of $1000 fine and three years' imprisonment.

The enforcement of these laws naturally falls within the functions of the United States officials to whose knowledge the attempt at infringement is brought, but if the movements continue on a large scale, as reported, it is probable that the department of justice will send instructions of a special character to all of its agents, calling their attention to the proclamation issued by the president last spring, and enjoining upon them a strict enforcement of the neutrality laws.

The government doubtless will be obliged to do this, in order to manifest its purpose to meet the requirements of international law, just as it has warned the shipping interests against taking part in filibustering movements, and has sent rigid instructions to judicial officers at Atlantic ports to prevent the infraction of the laws in that respect.

Confirmation of Francis Delayed.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The nomination of Secretary Francis as head of the interior department was referred to the finance committee in accordance with the custom of the senate. Nominations of the president for cabinet positions are usually confirmed very promptly. The nomination of Mr. Francis was sent to the senate a week ago, and yesterday was the first meeting of the finance committee since the nomination was referred to it. Secretary Francis will not be confirmed until after the senatorial election in Missouri. The opposition, if such it can be termed, can be traced to the recent election, in which Secretary Francis supported the gold Democratic candidates. Considerable feeling has been engendered, but it is not believed that the opposition will be carried so far as to prevent a confirmation.

Exposure Got Gates Into Trouble.

Boston, Dec. 16.—George B. Gates, who led a raiding party that effected the exposure of a "medium" at the Spiritualist Temple in this city, three weeks ago, was arrested yesterday afternoon on a warrant charging him with the disturbance of a religious meeting, and also damage to property to the amount of $50. Gates is summoned to appear in the municipal court next Thursday morning. The exposure created quite a sensation at the time, as those who took part in it not only caught the medium in the act of impersonating a "spirit," but they captured the white robe, wig and whiskers which he wore.

Baseball Pitching Cannon.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 16.—Professor Charles H. Hinton gave the first public exhibition of his baseball pitching cannon in the college gymnasium last night. The members of the baseball team and a large crowd of undergraduates were present. A canvas backstop was erected in the gymnasium and from the cannon, placed at pitcher's distance, balls were discharged, showing the different curves and rates of speed that can be obtained. In a lecture, Professor Hinton stated that his invention is intended to save pitchers in practice. The Princeton nine will use the cannon in all in-door practice this winter as an experiment.

Masonic Anniversary Celebrated.

Palmer, Mass., Dec. 16.—Thomas lodge of Masons observed the 100th anniversary of its organization in an appropriate manner yesterday. The exercises were opened by a reception to the grand lodge. W. M. George Wilkins gave the address of welcome, and the response was by M. W. G. M. Edwin B. Holmes of Boston. O. P. Allen gave an entertaining historical address, and an address was given by Rev. George C. Lorimer, D. D., of Boston. A banquet was held in the Opera House in the evening, attended by about 500 Masons and their friends. Judge George Robinson was toastmaster.

Janitor Was Badly Burned.

Rockland, Me., Dec. 16.—Edgar Beverage, janitor of the Knox county courthouse, was badly burned yesterday by escaping steam, caused by the bursting of pipes connected with the boiler. The accident occurred while Beverage was in the basement, and in order to prevent the boiler exploding, he drew the fire in the furnace, and it was while doing this that he was burned by the steam, which continued to escape for some time after the apparatus burst. About 20 people were in the courthouse above, and considerable alarm was created by the report and noise cause by the accident.

Condemned Man Shot to Death.

Salt Lake City, Dec. 16.—Patrick Coughlin was executed yesterday in Sage Hollow, Rich county, 25 miles north of Echo, for the killing of Deputy Sheriffs Thomas Stagg of Echo and E. A. Dawes of Evanstown, Wyo., on July 30, 1895. He was shot to death by five deputies under Sheriff Dickson. Only the officials and a few relatives of the condemned man and representatives of the press were present.

Thousands Paid Last Tribute.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 16.—The funeral of Lieutenant Governor Fraser took place at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The body has been lying in state in the legislative building since Monday. Thousands paid a last tribute of respect to the remains of one of the most beloved men of the province. The floral offerings were magnificent and came from all parts of the province.

Church Cornerstone Laid.

Medford, Mass., Dec. 16.—The cornerstone of the West Medford Baptist church was put in place yesterday afternoon, before a large gathering of parishioners, W. W. Main of the Baptist Sunday School union conducting the services.

Preparing For the Worst.

"Vy, Hans, how it vos dot you again vos so mooch-gutrunken?"

"It like dis is. I vas heared dot dere vos some talk like dey vos going to increase dot beer tax soon yet; so I git me pooty full vile dere is yet blenty time."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

AYER'S HAIR VIGOR PRESERVES THE Natural Color of the Hair

SENATE SPEAKS

Seeks More Information on Cuban Question.

THE MORGAN RESOLUTION IS FINALLY PASSED.

Its Author Urges a Decisive Policy.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Senator Morgan of Alabama held the attention of the senate and well-filled galleries for an hour yesterday by his earnest advocacy of a strong and decisive policy in dealing with the Cuban question. The prominence of Mr. Morgan in the Cuban debate of last sesson, when he had charge of the Cuban resolutions reported from the committee on foreign relations, gave special interest to his speech. He spoke in dispassonate style, although his words had a directness and severity in picturing the horrors existing in Cuba such as is seldom heard in the senate.

Mr. Morgan spoke freely of the possibilities of war, welcoming it if necessary to guarantee the protection of American citizens. He asserted that Spain's bankruptcy would prevent the collection of any indemnity for wrongs. The senator questioned the wisdom of the president's position that the granting of belligerent rights would be "untimely." Mr. Morgan's view on the line of action which should be adopted was summed up in the following:

"Although I believe that belligerent rights should be accorded the Cubans, inasmuch as the president prefers a more coercive policy and warns Spain that the time is near at hand for decisive action, I will support him in any movement that will save our people on that island from further outrage. I will not obstruct his course with questions of propriety, but will follow the colors when planted by the president on the advanced ground that the concession of belligerent rights has become "untimely," and that our duty now demands active intervention. If that crumbles away I will again fall back to the position that a just care for our own people requires us to declare an armed neutrality, ready to assail either belligerent that inflicts wrongs on our own people. If the president should say: 'The time has arrived, the hour has struck,' would any American be so base as not to hold up his hands while the battle is raging?"

At the close of Mr. Morgan's speech his resolution was adopted, requesting the secretary of state for papers and information relative to the Competitor's prisoners and other American citizens held in Cuba by the Spanish authorities. Mr. Morgan's resolution was as follows:

Resolved, That the president is requested, if it is not in his opinion incompatible with the public service, to send to the senate copies of the papers relating to the condition of affairs in the Island of Cuba, which are referred to in the report of the secretary of state, that accompanies his last annual message, as papers collected in the annual volume entitled "Foreign Relations of the United States."

And also, a statement of the several amounts of the claims lodged in the department by citizens of the United States against Spain, growing out of the alleged insurrection now existing in the Island of Cuba.

And also, all correspondence with the Spanish government relating to the vessel called the Competitor and the persons captured with or near that vessel; with a statement of the charges pending in any court in Spain or Cuba against said persons and the proceedings of such court in those cases; and the place of their imprisonment, the character of their treatment, while in prison, and the condition of their health; whether said prisoners have had the privilege of counsel of their own selection in any trial that has taken place on such charges, or were represented by any consul, attorney or other agent of the United States.

The question of passing the bill granting Nancy Allabach a pension, the veto of the president notwithstanding, occasioned considerable debate. Mr. Cockrell expressed surprise that Mr. Palmer of Illinois should be in charge of a movement to override the president. The Illinois senator answered that he directed his course as a senator, without reference to the president. The bill was finally passed over the veto; yeas, 41; nays, 11.

Early in the day Mr. Allen introduced a resolution for the appointment of a committee of nine senators to investigate the extent to which money was used in the recent presidential electon.

The house yesterday entered upon the consideration of the Loud bill to amend the law relating to the transmission of second class mail matter. The bill has been widely discussed in the public press and has met with most intense opposition from certain quarters. It denies the right of serial novels to admission to the mails at the newspaper per pound rates, denies to newspapers the sample copy privilege, prohibits the return of unsold publications at pound rates and makes some other changes in the present law designed to correct existing abuses.

A change in the second class mail matter law has been repeatedly urged by successive postmaster generals. It was estimated that the abuses of the law had cost the government $240,000,000 in the last 10 years.

Mr. Loud (Cal.), the author of the measure, brought it forward yesterday quite unexpectedly to a majority of the members of the house. The opposition, lead by Mr. Quigg (N. Y.), inaugurated a filibuster, and attempted to prevent its consideration by adjourning, but the house stood by Mr. Loud for two votes, defeating the opposition—134 to 102, and 141 to 83.

The opposition, however, are hopeful of defeating the measure when it is put on its final passage. Mr. Loud made an opening speech on the measure during which he declared that the bill would save the government $20,000,000 annually. He also said that it had received the endorsement of the Newspaper Publishers' association, and was only opposed by those who participated in the bounty obtained under the present law. The exact status of the bill is questionable.

Before this bill was brought up, the bill to reorganize the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad company was called up and passed, with some amendments, after an hour's debate.

Who does your printing? THE SUN job print would do it well and save you money.

AT VINEYARD HAVEN.

"Seamen's Chapel," Enlarged and Refurnished, Is Appropriately Rededicated.

Vineyard Haven, Mass., Dec. 16.—The Boston Seamen's Friend society, whose headquarters, church and reading room are at 287 Hanover street, Boston, has recently expended several thousand dollars enlarging and refurnishing its "Seamen's chapel" in this place.

The new building, which is splendidly adapted for its special work, was rededicated last evening in the presence of a large crowd of townspeople, sailors and government officials, all of whom greatly appreciated the work that has for many years been done here for sailors by this society, under the direction of its local secretary, Captain Madison Edwards.

The new building was opened for inspection during the afternoon, and at 7:30 o'clock the formal services were held, which included special music, addresses by local pastors, townspeople and visitors from Boston and Woods Holl, the dedicatory address being delivered, in behalf of the society, by F. P. Shumway of Boston, chairman of the building committee.

The society's work is rapidly growing at both Boston and Vineyard Haven, as it is, by its practical helpfulness, proving to be of marked benefit to the spiritual, moral and temporal need of the men of the sea.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Hungarians are to colonize in Texas.

A "divine healer" was mobbed in Chicago.

Chicago may have 4-cent street car fares.

Plans for another paper trust are under way.

New York is likely to escape a gas monopoly.

The Behring sea commission is still on the Carolina case.

The French steamship Comentry, with 20 men, is missing.

The New York police force costs about $7,000,000 per year.

The Canadian embargo on American cattle may be removed.

Floyd Courthouse, Va., has been partially destroyed by fire.

President Moraes of Brazil will assume office again in February.

Indians are snowbound and starving in the Cascade mountains.

The Canadian government railway employes threaten to strike.

The French steamer Marie Fanny has been lost with all on board.

The American Economic association is to meet in Baltimore, Dec. 28.

A possible case of murder will be investigated at Leominster, Mass.

The Harvard-Yale boat race stands in the way of athletic reconciliation.

Interchangeable mileage tickets from St. Louis and Chicago are to be issued.

The fleets of France, Russia and Great Britain may enter the Bosporus.

Secretary Morton denies that he has discriminated in favor of Canadian cattle.

Deficiencies in appropriations amounting to $6,691,032 have been reported to congress.

Postmaster Coveney of Boston says the letter carriers have sold stamps for a long time.

There is no opposition to the petition of the city of Boston for a license to dump snow and ice into tide-water.

The Fishermen's Institute of Gloucester, Mass., is likely to receive $15,000 by a peculiar bequest of the late Thomas Niles.

Lawrence P. Arnold, who fraudulently obtained 10 days' board from a Boston hotel, has been sent to the house of correction.

The Kentucky court of appeals has granted the attorneys for Scott Jackson 30 days in which to file a petition for a rehearing.

A special dispatch from Cape Town says that Colonel Cecil Rhodes' country house was gutted by fire early yesterday morning.

The committee of the French chamber of deputies on the Legion of Honor bill has recommended that the maximum number of chevaliers shall be limited to 12,000.

It is understood that Baron De Courcel, French ambassador in London, will retire early in 1897, and will be succeeded by the Marquis De Reverseaux De Rouvray, at present ambassador at Madrid.

The Illinois Central railroad is negotiating with several of the Atlantic steamship companies with a view to getting them to establish a regular service between New Orleans and European ports.

It was learned yesterday afternoon that General Superintendent Frank S. Gannon of the Staten Island Rapid Transit company had been appointed general manager of the Southern Railway company.

BOWLING NEWS.

Team Six of the Bankers defeated Team Two, 1756 to 1702.

At duck pins the Soft Moneys lost to the McKinleys, 1160 to 1187; and the Bugwumps won from the Populists, 1232 to 1214.

In the Vesper tournament Team Nine was victorious over Team Two, 2228 to 2157.

Team Nine of the Higbland club defeated Team Twelve, 2235 to 2089; and Team Eight outbowled Team Three, 2484 to 2129.

The Firemen won from Stearns' men, 2530 to 2410.

The Married Men of the W. A. Mack company beat the Single Men at bowling, last night, by a score of 2141 to 2085.

Holy Name Society.

The Holy Name society of St. Patrick's church has elected the following officers:

President, Joseph McQuade; vice president, John Dolan; treasurer, John Q. Adams; financial secretary, Timothy Quinn; recording secretary, Patrick Coughlin; consultors, James Lyons, Patrick Madden, Timothy Wholey, Michael Coughlin.

The society holds two meetings in the month, the first, a business meeting, is held on the second Sunday of each month at 6 o'clock in the evening, and the second, a religious meeting, on the last Sunday of the month at 6 o'clock in the evening.

Greenhalge Council Officers.

Greenhalge Council, L. A. B. A. elected the following officers last evening; councilor, C. O. S. Wheeler; vice councilor, F. A. Wilcox; orator, E. McMurtry; recorder, C. W. Whitman; chaplain, W. A. Adams; past councilor, J. S. Chandler; Collector, W. F. Sanborn; treasurer, F. P. Haggett; marshal, John Hughes; sentinel, A. W. David; trustees, Arthur Staples, three years; W. W. Johnson, two years; George A. Roper, one year.

BOARD OF TRADE

Held Its Quarterly Meeting Last Night.

LENGTHY PAPER READ BY SECRETARY SMITH

On the Administration of the New Charter.

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Trade last evening drew a fair-sized attendance.

H. Kirk White presided and he and President Adams of the state board were appointed delegates to a monetary conference of business men to be held in Indianapolis, Jan. 12, to consider the currency question.

Secretary Smith was called upon to read a paper on the new city charter, which he did, saying in substance: When as your secretary I undertook to secure industries I met at the outset a serious obstacle thereto, in the reputation of the local government and the local politicians.

He then reviewed at length the discussions of board upon municipal affairs which attracted widespread attention and a complimentary mention in Mayor Courtney's inaugural. Then followed the financial commission, the new charter drafted, its agitation and finally its triumphant victory at the polls. In relation to the distribution of offices, he said:

The third principal cause of bad government in the estimation of the public is the distribution of the offices. This we have now to deal with. Once to remedy this evil would have seemed difficult, almost impossible, but the reforms that have preceded it have lightened the task, and the time to deal with it is opportune.

No more important duty will devolve upon the incoming council than that of providing by ordinance a uniform nonpartisan, common sense method of selecting the city officers. When experience has perfected our method, it will be well to incorporate the ordinance with the charter as we should not be in too much haste to tie our hands.

In this connection a word is due in reference to section 1, of the charter amendment in the matter of appointments. With opinions that have their origin in the hopes or fears of persons or parties interested in the distribution of the spoils so called, we need not concern ourselves in dealing with a purely judicial question. Section 1 as adopted reads precisely as it did at the hearings and as it stood in the origional bill was not open to criticism so far as the power of appointment is involved. A subsequent section provided a method of selection of officers, but at the legislature this subsequent section was struck out and the question now is, has the force and effect of section 1 been modified, or enlarged by such striking out?

It is understood a judicial construction of this section will be had, and we may wait in patience such construction. It will hardly embarrass our administration as much as have the struggles to maintain bad government.

The time is favorable for the calm, dispassionate settlement on a sound basis, and he would be no friend to good government who would again arouse partisanship over this subject.

To do so, judging by the past, would only result in restoring to the council the control of the patronage with the prompt repeal or an attempt and struggle for the repeal of the ordinances creating the offices in controversy.

My official relations with Mayor Courtney left no doubt in my mind that his dominant controlling ambition was through wise administration to establish and maintain himself in the respect and esteem of all good citizens of all parties, and I have no fears that he will not be governed in this case by that motive.

Under the amended charter there will form around the mayor an executive council or cabinet, as it were, an executive board, wherein executive business will be considered. At least this has been the result elsewhere when the executive functions have been separated from the legislative.

Until experience has shown that this body is not sufficient to conduct wisely the executive business of the city I should not favor additional permanent boards or commissions.

Our schools, library, engineer service, double water supply, police and probably other branches of the public service with which I am less familiar will compare with the best of other cities and we need lower our flag to no city of our rank.

In force, equipment and handling, our fire department takes rank with the best in the country. It is in our street department that our citizens look for radical reform. The rule that streets shall not be accepted until completed finds favor. The rigid enforcement of the betterment act with such amendment as will permit the payment of assessments in instalments extending over a series of years will further relieve the treasury of cost of new construction.

The demand from the wheelmen for better roads will be imperative and will, I believe, be heeded. Every street laborer knows that the city has during the last year obtained a great deal more service for the wages paid than before, and that a great deal more ground has been covered, but for lack of suitable road material the benefits have not been so apparent while the other items of cost are the same.

It will be found economy to get the best road material, whether gravel stone or other material be required whether we have to go one or fifty miles for it.

The system of laying the best pavement and then caring for them under the sectional system works successfully elsewhere and ought to here.

The paper was received with applause. Principal Carrothers of the manual training school spoke on low taxes.

J. L. Chalifoux advocated civil service rules in all the city departments as being better for the city and better for the workmen and made a motion to that effect which was passed.

Police Board.

At a regular meeting of the board of police, Tuesday night, the following licenses were granted:

Job and express wagon, Felix Letendre, 63 Aiken street.

Pool and billiard, Geo. Eckmal, 30 South street.

Common victuallers, Henry S. Smith 1463 Middlesex street; Samuel G. Black, 78 Rock street; Thos. Caille, 1364 Middlesex street.

Revoked job and express, Omar St. Hilarie, Hall and Aiken streets, having sold out his business.

SWEPT BY FIERCE GALE.

New York Harbor and Coast at the Mercy of the Wind and Falling Sleet.

New York, Dec. 16.—New York harbor and the coast for many miles was swept by a fierce gale last night. With falling sleet, and wind at 30 miles an hour, and steadily increasing, the weather officials proclaimed the long-delayed arrival of winter.

Much damage has been done, and shipping has suffered greatly as a result of the high winds. Danger signals were displayed all day, and the weather bureau warned the skippers of all kinds of craft to remain in port if they wanted to avert disaster.

One vessel which met with a mishap as the result of being at sea is the schooner Grace K. Green, which was abandoned off Long Branch yesterday afternoon. Captain Charles W. Frisbee, the mate, Edward M. Frisbee, and eight seamen were brought to this port by the steamship Yorktown of the Old Dominion line, which picked them up, when it appeared that the schooner would founder.

Shoe Shop Will Shut Down.

Manchester, N. H., Dec. 16.—As soon as the work on hand is finished, the F. M. Hoyt shoe shop in this city will shut down for an indefinite period, and about 400 people will be temporarily thrown out of employment. The cause is ascribed to the dull condition of the trade; caused by the trouble between the leather dealers and the shoe jobbers over the increase in the price of leather.

Memorial to Late Attorney Burley.

Salem, Mass., Dec. 16.—In the supreme court yesterday afternoon the members of the Essex Bar association assembled to listen to a memorial to Elbridge T. Burley, who died at Rangeley lake last summer. The memorial was presented by Colonel John T. Sweeney, and was seconded by Henry T. Moulton, president of the Essex Bar association.

Funeral of Samuel P. Putnam.

Boston, Dec. 16.—The funeral of Samuel P. Putnam, one of the victims of asphyxiation on St. Botolph street last Friday night, occurred yesterday afternoon at the undertaking rooms of Lewis Jones & Sons, Lagrange street, after which the body was taken to Forest Hills cemetery for cremation.

FAMILY POISONED.

Two Children Are Already Dead From Arsenic.

Syracuse, Dec. 16.—As the result of what is suspected to be a case of arsenic poisoning, two children, Agnes and Mary Noveck, died yesterday afternoon at Solvay, near this city. Joseph Noveck, the father, and the mother and three other children are dangerously sick. One more at least will probably die. The entire family was taken sick shortly after breakfast. It is suspected that the sickness was caused by coffee. Some suspicion attaches to a woman living in the neighborhood, who, with several others, had lunched at the house the night before. It is said that she had been seen to empty the coffee pot. About two weeks ago it is claimed that she had made soup while visiting at the Noveck house, and that all who ate of it sickened in the same way as in the present case, but none died.

Invitation to McKinley.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—An invitation was extended to President-elect McKinley yesterday by the management of the University of Wisconsin-Carlisle football game to be the guest of the Press club at the Coliseum Saturday night. The major will be in Chicago at that time, and it is thought that he will conclude to witness the great gridiron contest. Gould of Amherst will referee the contest.

Many Public Bequests.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 16.—Among the wills allowed in the probate court yesterday was that of John Bush of Spencer, the valuation of whose estate is $45,000. There are many public bequests.

LOCAL NOTES.

Highland Council, Royal Arcanum worked the degree at the Centralville lodge last evening.

The Lowell Hahnemann club met at Dr. Martin's office yesterday afternoon and the subject discussed was "Conduct of Labor."

Mt. Zion lodge of Good Templars held a memorial service last evening in memory of the ten members who have died since the lodge was organized.

Miss Janny Lind Lewis has returned from New York after a successful season with the George W. Munroe Co. She will remain at home one week.

First-class clothing for positively less money than the cost of the cloth is offered this week by J. L. Chalifoux, who recently made a great purchase of seasonable goods at about 57 cents on the dollar.

Burglary in Pelham.

The house of D. M. Webster at Gage hill was entered Monday night by burglars and a gold and silver watch, with chains, $15 in money, two overcoats and a suit of clothes were taken from the room where two men were sleeping.

Connecticut Agriculturists Meet.

Danbury, Conn., Dec. 16.—The state convention of the Connecticut board of agriculture was opened here yesterday morning and will continue through Thursday. J. F. Brown of North Stonington, vice president of the board, presided; Rev. Albert E. Pierce of this city offered prayer, and Mayor Rundle followed with an address of welcome. Governor Coffin, as president of the board, made the introductory address, formally opening the convention. In the afternoon there were lectures and papers by J. H. Hubbard of Middletown, R. S. Hinman of Oxford, Edwin Hoyt of New Canaan, and last night Rev. John De Pau of Norfolk gave an address on "Rural Cemeteries." The convention is being held in city hall, which is elaborately decorated, and also exhibits of fruits, grain and other farm products are displayed. There was a large attendance at the different sessions.

Said-Ed-Din-Pasha Recalled.

London, Dec. 16.—The Times' Berlin correspondent says that the porte has recalled Said-Ed-Din Pasha, the porte's special envoy to Crete, in accordance with the joint demand of the powers. Said-Ed-Din Pasha was accused of thwarting the reforms in Crete, promised by Turkey to the powers.

Was Second City Election.

North Adams, Mass., Dec. 16.—The second city election was held yesterday, and was very quiet. Albert C. Houghton was re-elected mayor, being the candidate of both parties. The Republicans elected all of the eight councilmen. The only Democrat elected was C. B. Bartlett, who defeated C. S. Peach for assessor by 42 votes. The majority for license was about 200 less than last year. The license vote was: Yes, 1415; no, 1120.

Treasury Officials Get the News.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The treasury officials have received confirmation of the report of the sailing of the Three Friends from Fernandania Harbor, Fla., with a cargo of arms for the insurgents, and the sailing of the U. S. S. Newark and Raleigh from Key West in pursuit. The Dauntless has again been permitted to leave Jacksonville, she having satisfied the officers of the government that she intends to engage only in lawful business.

City of Lowell

Auditor's Office, Dec. 16, 1896.

Persons having bills against the City of Lowell are requested to present them at this office on or before Saturday, the 19th inst.

Bills not presented as above will remain unpaid until Feb. 10, 1897.

DAVID CHASE, Auditor.

NOTICE TO ENGINEERS.

There will be a lecture for Engineers Wednesday evening, Dec. 16, at 8 o'clock, in old Odd Fellows' hall, Merrimack street. P. H. Hogan, Chief Engineer at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Herbert E. Stone, Chief Engineer at Harvard University, will speak on subjects of interests to Engineers. All Engineers are invited to attend. Admission free.

LOWELL ASSO. No. 17, N. A. S. E.

This Umbrella Has Gone To Smash.

I will take it to Austin's and have it repaired. He will put a new cover on it and do anything else needed in a first class manner at a reasonable price.

C. E. AUSTIN, 19 Bridge Street.

COLD WEATHER COMFORTS

We're going to need them very soon if what the weather prophets say is true. Seal Skin Gloves, Heavy Weight Underwear, new and handsome designs in Silk Mufflers, and Heavy Caps and Gloves are dividing attention with our superb line of gentlemen's furnishings at this time.

ARTHUR J. CUMMISKEY, 69 Merrimack Street.

Chritmas Candles

For Christmas Tree, Boudoir and Table use in

White and Colors

Candle Shades and Holders.

C. B. Coburn & Co.

63 AND 67 MARKET STREET.

COOL EVENINGS ARE COMING!

Why not order your light weight overcoat now and save a few dollars? Our unlined heavy coverts are dandies.

DAVIS & NICKERSON,

Tailors, 9 CENTRAL STREET.

New Goods Arriving Every Week.

CHARLES H. COSGROVE, Room 16, Hildreth Building. Attorney and Counsellor at Law.

J. M. KINGSBURY, No. 373 Bridge Street. Meats and Provisions. (Successor to Strout & Kingsbury.)

PHILIP J. FARLEY. Room 11, Barristers' Hall. Attorney and Counsellor at Law.

JOSEPH W. LEACH, Room 12, Shedd's Block. Pianist and Teacher of Singing.

JOHN W. McEVOY, 137 Central St., Opp. American House, Attorney and Counsellor at Law.

COURTNEY & COURTNEY, Mansur Block. Counsellors-at-Law. William F. Courtney. Henry S. Courtney.

SMOKE OLD 64 CIGAR H. BOOT, Manufacturer.

LOTHROP & CUNNINGHAM, 182 Merrimack Street. Photographers. Crayons, Pastels and Water Colors a specialty All work guaranteed

W. A. LEW, 49 John Street. Clothing Cleansed, Dyed and Pressed. Orders received for cleaning, dying and pressing, promptly and neatly executed.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE.

By virtue of a certain mortgage given to me by Mary Mullin on the twenty-eight day of December on the premises hereafter described, which mortgage was duly recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Northern District of Middlesex County, in Book 204, Page 503, and for breach of the conditions of said mortgage I will sell at public auction on the fourth day of January, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., to the highest bidder on the premises, the following described premises:

Beginning at a point on the east side of said South street, ninety-nine feet south of Appleton street; thence running easterly parallel to Appleton street fifty feet; thence southerly on land formerly of Thomas Lovett eleven feet, ten and one-half inches; thence on said Lovett lot, north, eighty-six degrees east, fifty-one feet and two inches to the southerly corner of said Lovett lot; thence at an acute angle and parallel to Appleton street thirty feet; thence south at a right angle five feet to the middle of a passageway ten feet wide, which is forever to be kept open for the mutual benefit of the adjoining owners; thence easterly parallel to said Appleton street and through the middle of said passageway seventy feet to said South street; thence northerly twenty-seven feet and nine inches on said South street to the point of beginning. Terms made known at time and place of sale.

PATRICK LYNCH, Mortgagee.

WANT COLUMN.

BOY WANTED—We want a bright, intelligent boy, 12 to 16 years of age, in this city. Good pay and advancement to an enterprising lad. Address by letter only, room 31, 196 Summer street, Boston, Mass.

GIRL WANTED—We want a bright, intelligent girl, 12 to 16 years of age, in this city. Good pay and advancement to an enterprising girl. Address by letter only, room 31, 196 Summer street, Boston, Mass.

LOST—A dog, all white except a black spot around eye and ear. The finder can leave at Sun office and get rewarded.

LOST—Saturday, a. m., Dec. 12, a sum of money inclosed in a leather case, name owner on inside of cover. Please return to Middlesex Steam laundry, 140 Middlesex street, and be rewarded.

WANTED—Good man to take agency for Dirigo cream in Lowell and vicinity. Address, Dirigo Creamery Co., Beverly, Mass.

LADIES TO WRITE for us at home. No canvassing. Reply, enclosing stamp, Silver Fern Co., Aurora, Indiana.

TO LET—4 room flat at 634 Broadway.

TO LET—Sunny five room tenement on Moody street. Enquire at 821 Merrimack street.

TO LET—Very pleasant and sunny rooms newly furnished at 404 Bridge street.

WANTED—500 Ladies to call at the Union Supply, 65 Merrimack street, up one flight, room 2, to get dressed in good style. The best of garments, mackintoshes, dresses, wrappers and millinery. Cash or credit. Lowest prices. Over Central Savings bank.

GOOD INVESTMENT—500 shares stock in active company for sale at $4 per share, must be sold to settle estate. Address post office box 1804, Boston.

FOR SALE—Near Chelmsford street. Good cottage house, near mills. Price, $1000. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—A position as stenographer and typewriter; experienced; mercantile or legal work; can give good recommendation; also good references. Address R, sun office, Lowell, Mass.

FOR SALE—In Centralville, 7 room cottage house, in good repair, 8 minutes walk to mills. This is a bargain. Price, $1600. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

FOR SALE—At a bargain, a two-tenement house near new bridge. This is an excellent chance to buy a home and on easy terms. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—Your child to have Rosy Cheeks, Pure Blood, to rest well. Get a box of the Athan Worm and Scrofula Tablets at all druggists. Price 25c., prepaid, by the Lowell Chemistry Co.

FOR SALE—Just the place you want to make money on 8 4 tenement block in Belvidere. Pays 12 per cent. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

LADIES—Chichester's English Pennyroyal Pills (Diamond Brand) are the best. Safe, reliable. Take no other. Send 4c., stamps, for particulars, "Relief for Ladies," in letter by return mail. At Druggists. Chichester Chemical Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

DR. CATON'S TANSY PILLS for Ladies never fail. Get the genuine and avoid disappointment. $1, all druggists or direct. DR. R. F. CATON, Boston, Mass.

FOR SALE—Good boarding and lodging house near John street. All new furniture and in good shape. 50 boarders. This is an excellent location for business. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

ALL LADIES having a few hours leisure each day should write me at once, regarding pleasant home work which easily pays $18 weekly. This is no deception and will certainly pay you to investigate. Reply with stamped envelop, Mrs. S. A. Stebbins, Lawrence, Mich.

WANTED—500 young and old men to bring their old clothes to Fred P. Lew's Dye house and Clothes Cleaning establishment at 477 Merrimack street, where he can make your old suit as good as new for a small sum.

SAVOY THEATRE

Kendal Weston, Mgr.

Week Beginning Monday, Dec. 14th.

The Savoy Theatre Co. in a Brilliant Production of Robertson's great 3-act Comedy,

"CASTE"

"True hearts are more than coronets, and simple faith than Normand blood."

Produced with the most careful attention to detail and appointments.

Matinee prices: Lower floor, 25c.; Balcony, 15c. Evening prices, 15, 25, 35 and 50c. Box seats, 75c. Evenings at 8 o'clock. Wednesday and Saturday Matinees at 2.30. Carriages at 10.30 p. m. Seats on sale at theatre one week in advance. Box office open from 10 a. m. to 9.30 p. m. Telephone 608-5. Tickets will be reserved until within 15 minutes of time of performance.

Friday Night Souvenirs—Every lady in the audience Friday evening will receive an autograph-photograph of Mrs. Georgie Dickson.

NEXT WEEK—Wallack's Greatest of Military Plays, "Rosedale."

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Dec. 14, 15, 16th.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, with Wednesday Matinee, the Big Realistic Production,

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With the author, DAVID HIGGINS, as "OUR GERMAN FRIEND."

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ADMISSION:

9 a. m. till 5 p. m., 20 cents.

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$20 A very good Square Piano for beginners. Call now. GEORGE A. GARDNER, 20 Prescott St.

A Handsome Complexion is one of the greatest charms a woman can possess. POZZONI'S COMPLEXION POWDER gives it.

Forecast for New England: Threatening weather, probably snow or sleet; continued cold, northeasterly winds; dangerous gales on the coast.

LOCAL NEWS.

Always wins, Old Hundred.

T. C. Lee, fire insurance, Donovan bl'd.

Sergt. Palmer has been confined to his home in Eighteenth street some days by illness.

The marriage of Gertrude Mae Farrington and Henry Isaac Pollard will occur Wednesday, Dec. 30.

David Dewar has been appointed clerk of the J. C. Ayer corporation, to succeed Benj. Walker, deceased.

Notices were issued by the registrars of voters yesterday that the recount of votes would begin this morning at 9.

Orders for coal promptly filled and satisfaction guaranteed by Roark & Sullivan, 984 Gorham street. Telephone 556-3.

Building materials are very low. You can get all mason's supplies of W. E. Livingston, 15 Thorndike street, at low figures.

Members of the First and Grace Universalist churches will have an old fashioned spelling match in Grace church tonight.

The main feature of last night's entertainment given by Lexington council, O. M. A.U., was the exhibition given by I.H. Sternberg, who played the tin whistle and gave several readings.

Dr. George A. Walton, agent of the Massachusetts state board of education, will lecture at the Training school for teachers, Friday *evening, Dec.* 18. Dr. Walton is an author of a series of successful text books and has a national reputation as a thinker and lecturer on educational subjects.

Burn Wilson's Coal.

£ Xmas Drafts £.

For sale payable in Ireland, England and Scotland at Murphy's agency, 18 Appleton street. 25 years in the business.

origin in impure blood. It is

BETTER

than other sarsaparillas, better made, of better ingredients and by better methods. Its record of cures proclaims it the

BEST

A state convention of the ladies' auxiliary of the Hibernian order will be held in Hibernian hall today. It is expected that 90 delegates will attend.

MAYOR COURTNEY

Calls on the Firemen at the Different Houses.

The firemen of the city had a visitor yesterday afternoon and they did not expect him either. Yesterday morning Mayor Courtney sent word to Chief Hosmer that he wanted to visit the different houses. Accordingly, yesterday afternoon, the Chief called at city hall for the mayor, and together they called on the fire laddies. His Honor had a chance to see the different *houses as they are, for he* went to each one unannounced

HERE IS A DEADLOCK

The Committee on Printing Cannot Come to Terms.

There is a deadlock in the committee on printing. There are four members on the committee and they stand divided, Alderman Flemings and Councilman Thornton on one side and Councilmen Nay and George against them.

It is customary to print the annual report of the school committee about April of each year. Now the school board wants a change; they would like to get the report out the first of the year, and they can't do it unless the committee on printing is willing. For this committee buys the paper. When the matter was presented, Alderman Flemings and Councilman Thornton favored it and the other two voted against it, so it was killed.

SOME CRISP GOSSIP.

At a boarding house in this city the other night the star boarder said to the cheerful idiot: "Say, where are you going tonight?"

C. I.: "Don't know."

S. B.: "Come to church with me. Fine service."

C. I.: "I don't mind but I hate to go way down front in a church. Are there any back seats in that church?"

And the landlady passed the sugar.

The group picture of the mayor and board of aldermen shows an excellent likeness of each member. Alderman Howe had his at city hall last night and had each alderman write his signature on the lower border.

Ten men listened to Mayor Courtney read the large grist of petitions recommendations and committee reports last night. It was the largest audience gathered in the gallery for several weeks.

City Solicitor Quin has on hand 500 cases of great or less importance in which the city is concerned at law. This is quite a grist of business for the solicitor to wade through.

SCHOOL CHILDREN'S EYES.

How Dr. Stephenson Proposes to Test Them.

A Sun reporter called on Dr. Stephenson yesterday to learn what method of examination he intends to employ should the school board authorize him to examine the eyes of the children.

In reply to the reporter's question the doctor said:

"I will use the letter test. That is, I will place a card containing rows of letters of different sizes at a distance of 20 feet and I will request the pupils to read the letters.

"In this way I can examine a number of pupils at a time. Should a pupil be unable to read a certain row of letters pointed out, I shall request him to step one side. Afterwards when I have discovered who are afflicted, I will treat each one separately.

"I will give all the time necessary to carry out my plans, and I feel that whatever is accomplished will be for the pupils' benefit. My object in conducting the examination is merely to obtain statistics which I consider valuable and which can be obtained in no other way.

"I will offer no treatment at any of the schools, but will send a note to the parents of the child, defining the nature of the ailment and suggesting that the child will be treated free of charge at the out-patient department of the Lowell General hospital or at the city dispensary by qualified oculists.

"Of course it rests entirely with the parents themselves whether or not any treatment is accorded the child."

Dolls and Toys.

We have got an elegant assortment of these necessary holiday goods at very low prices. Dickson Bros., the big tea dealers, 68 Merrimack street.

Les Miserables bowling alleys and billiard hall now open. East Merrimack street.

Dr. Colburn DENTIST 81 MERK ST.

MUNICIPAL SENSATION.

City Clerk of Minneapolis to be Arrested For Election Frauds.

Minneapolis, Dec. 16.—Minneapolis is apparently on the brink of a municipal sensation. The announcement that a warrant is out for the arrest of City Clerk Charles F. Haney, and that Haney is on his way to Mexico is received with astonishment. Haney was expected to go to Mexico Jan. 1, having been ordered by his physician. He left very suddenly last Friday night, and, although the local authorities have made every effort to arrest him before he crosses the border, they have not yet succeeded. The grand jury is now in session and is investigating a number of aldermen charged with boodling in paving, sewer and other contracts. It has leaked out that at least two indictments have been found and some other 30 are promised. The evidence has been gathered by Chicago detectives, under the direction of certain members of the Good Citizenship league. Among the charges made is one that the ballot boxes in the 11th ward were tampered with to secure the election of an alderman favorable to the combine.

The Panama Canal.

Paris, Dec. 16.—At the annual meeting of the new Panama company, the report which was presented expressed the conviction, with reference to the rival Nicaraguan project, that the United States, on weighing what was being done, would recognize the Panama canal as the best for securing their legitimate interests. The directors expressed their increasing confidence in the possibility of the undertaking.

Wool Growers Are Active.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Members of the National Wool Growers' association, of which Judge Lawrence of Ohio is president and W. G. Markham of Avon, N. Y., secretary, are to hold a meeting here, beginning today, to consider legislative matters pertaining to the interests of the wool growers. Each state wool growers' association is expected to send two delegates.

Biliousness

Is caused by torpid liver, which prevents digestion and permits food to ferment and putrify in the stomach. Then follow dizziness, headache,

Hood's Pills

insomina, nervousness, and, if not relieved, bilious fever or blood poisoning. Hood's Pills stimulate the stomach, rouse the liver, cure headache, dizziness, constipation, etc. 25 cents. Sold by all druggists. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

A Well Established Profitable Business,

ON MERRIMACK STREET FOR SALE AT SANBORN & DONOVAN'S

Room 1, Swan's Block, Central street. Bad debts of all kinds collected. Telephone 66-5.

tainment was a very pleasant feature and the young people who participated were loudly applauded. The descriptive chorus "Baraba Freitchig" was given by the following young ladies:

Annie Coffee, Katie Larkin, Alice Fitzpatrick, Winnie Clancy, Maggie Linane, Eloulse Murphy, Alice Cuff, Mary Murphy, Annie Conroy, Mary Higgins, J. D. Lynch, Susie McDonald, Alice Barnes, Jennie Murphy, Isabella Dunlavey, Mary J. McCusker, Mary Buckmaster, Mary Scott, Mary Maguire, Rose McQuillan, Mary Shinkiven, Mary Fitzpatrick, Annie Foley, Maggie Shanley, Grace Spencer, Winnifred Reddan, Maggie Fennell.

Master Martin and Miss Mary Maguire sang "You Know, You Do,", and were obliged to respond to an encore.

A very pretty tambourine drill and tableaux formed a fitting end to the excellent program. It was given by these ladies: Nellie Holden, Katie Holden, Katie O'Neil, Jennie Kerwin, Katie Hickey, Emma Magnor, Nellie McCann, May Stafford, Mamie Crowley, Maggie Muldoon, Annie Cragg, Nellie Gendron, Katie Kneafsey, Bella Pepper, Lizzie Sheehan, Lizzie Stanton, Frances Daley, Mary Monaghan, Bessie Fox, Jessie Donahue, Agnes Brady, Laura Fisher, Sarah and Katie Devine, Lizzie McLean.

Miss Mollie McGann was the accompanist.

The entertainment consisting of a performance by the Nightingale Minstrels, will be given tonight. "A Night With a Circus," is the piece to be presented.

Officers of New England Society.

New York, Dec. 16.—The New England society at its 91st annual meeting, held last night in the Fifth Avenue hotel, re-elected the following officers: President, Charles C. Beaman; first vice president, Henry E. Howland; second vice president, William E. Dodge; treasurer, William Dowd; secretary, George Wilson. Howland Davis, George H. Robinson, Morris K. Jesup and Austin B. Fletcher were elected directors, to serve until 1900. It was decided to hold the annual dinner on Forefathers' day, at the Hotel Waldorf.

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German Consumers Will Suffer.

London, Dec. 16.—The Daily News has a dispatch from Berlin, with reference to rumors of reprisals against American petroleum. It says that German consumers are likely to suffer more by the move than American exporters, Russia alone being scarcely able to supply Germany.

THE BETTER YOUR FOOD THE BETTER YOUR HEALTH

Use Cottolene and better Both will be

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Soc'alist, 17,667; Prohibition, 16,052; McKinley over Bryan, 288,469; McKinley over all others, 215,455.

Last June, J. H. Keithline, a carpenter contractor, a widower, advertised for a housekeeper. Morris Pope and his wife answered the advertisement, and a contract was entered into, and the Popes were installed in Keithland's home. Mrs. Pope acted as housekeeper, and her husband paid his board. So far as known all parties got along peacefully. Saturday morning Keithline got up at the usual hour for his breakfast, and was seated in the dining room reading a newspaper, when Pope came into the room. Without saying a word, Pope pulled a revolver and fired a bullet into Keithline's head. Thinking he had killed him, Pope ran upstairs into his own room and fired a bullet into his own head. He died instantly. The doctor thinks Keithline will recover.

Light and Power Company Sold.

Dover, N. H., Dec. 16.—The Consolidated Light and Power company of this city, which has been in the hands of a receiver since Jan. 27, 1894, was sold at auction yesterday by order of the court. Hon. W. T. Cobb was the only bidder, and he purchased it for a syndicate for $200,000. The plant was mortgaged for $230,900, the first mortgage being held by the Rochester Loan and Banking company. H. L. Shepard of Rockport, Me., the receiver, will probably be appointed manager of the reorganized company.

Match Factory Blown Up.

Berlin, Dec. 16.—An explosion has destroyed Von Cromer's match factory at Aschaffenburg, in Bavaria. Two men and four girls were killed and many persons were injured.

Burkes' Meeting.

The Burkes admitted seven new members last evening and voted to hold a big festival in the spring. The smoke talk scheduled for last night was postponed one week.

Picturesque Lowell

Is the title of a very beautiful illustrated book just brought out by us. It contains 16 Lowell views and includes Merrimack street, Central street, City Hall, Memorial Building, High School, new Court House, Grace Church, Pawtucket Falls, the Armory, St. Anne's Church, Fort Hill Park, Church of the Immaculate Conception, Mills at Lowell, the Merrimack River from Andover Street, Lowell Jail and the grave of J. C. Ayer. The price is **25 cents.** Just the thing to send to your friends.

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Gigantic Clothing Purchase

From Stocks of J. Peavey & Bros., and Valentine & Rabinowitz, New York.

VALUED AT $30,000

All New Goods, and all to be Offered at 57c. on the Dollar. Sale Commences THURSDAY MORNING at 9 O'CLOCK.

No use to pay the full price for Pantaloons, Suits or Overcoats when you need pay only about 57 cents on the dollar. You simply pay for the value of the cloth, the cost of the making being the manufacturer's loss.

PANTALOONS

LOT 1887. Men's Black Worsted Finished Pants at 89c, worth $1.50.

LOT 3203. Men's Black Union Cheviot Pants at 98c., worth $1.75.

LOT 2560. In this lot we have 1200 pairs Men's Heavy Union Cassimere Hair Line Pants, in several styles, worth $2.50 and $3.00, at $1.49.

LOT 2669. This is the greatest value ever offered for the price. It embraces eight styles of neat, natty striped Worsted Pants, worth $3.50 to $4, our price is only $1.98.

LOT 3188. In an extra fine, heavy hair line Lamb's Wool Cassimere Pants, very natty and very dressy, at $2.50, worth $3.00.

OVERCOATS

LOT 12. Men's Blue Elysian Overcoats at $2.50, worth $5.00.

LOT 48. Men's Plain Black Heavy Union Cassimere Overcoats, well trimmed, at $2.98, worth $5.00.

LOT 3136. Men's Plain Black and Plain Blue Extra Heavy Union Melton Overcoats, at $3.62, worth $6.00.

LOT 3090. Men's Blue or Black Beaver Overcoats, lined with good, heavy, dark lining, at $4.48, worth $7.00.

LOT 3376. Men's very fine Black All-Wool Kersey Overcoats, cloth manufactured by the Madison Woolen Mills, lined and trimmed in a superior manner, at $5.95, worth $10.00.

SUITS

LOT 5057. Men's Black Cheviot Suits at $2.98, worth $5.00.

LOT 283. Men's Heavy Dark Mixed Cassimere Suits at $3.98, worth $6.00.]

LOT 5276. Men's Wool Wide Wale Undressed Worsted Cheviot Suits at $4.98, worth $8.00.

LOT 5802. Men's Heavy Pine All Wool Clay Worsted Suits at $6, worth $10.

LOT 1510. Men's Extra Heavy Pepper and Salt Dark Silk Mixed All-Wool Cassimere Suits, very suitable for middle-aged men, at $7.98, worth $15.00.

LOT 5779. Men's Heavy Dark Fancy Plaid Worsted Suits, very nobby, at $7.98, worth $15.00.

Bargains in Boys' Overcoats, Ulsters and Reefers, Boys' Suits and Boys' Knee Pants.

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THE MARDI GRAS

Opens this morning. We could not possibly get ready Monday but are ready today and will make things merry for you from now until Chrismas. The Mardi Gras is to be just what it is in every sense of the word.

We propose to do double our business of last year and have marked goods with that in view. Now come and examine. We don't expect you will buy the first time, but after you see the Mardi Gras prices and compare notes on your return, we are sure of a sale. Below are a few, very few of the many thousands of XMAS BARGAINS we have for our public.

Read These However and Come and Examine the Rest.

ALBUMS, ALBUMS

Albums in leather, celluloid and plush at from 49c to $2.98 each. The stock is now full. Come and get first choice

TESTAMENTS---2 specials

1 lot Testaments, full of knowledge for 25c

1 lot Testaments, better print, for 69c

DIARIES, DIARIES

We have all kinds and all prices, but lower than you can buy elsewhere

POETS, POETS

Household edition, choice $1 19

Family edition, choice $1 35

Browning's poems complete $2 19

Will Carleton's poems complete $1 39

Children's Books

Tens of thousands of Juvenile Books arranged into prices as follows, 5c, 10c, 15c, 19c, 25c and 39c

Wood's Natural History illustrated 25c

Playing Trades colored illustrations, a 50c book for 19c

Chatterbox, best yet, 69c

"Some say," L. E. Richard's new book, 49c each

Plush & Celluloid Boxes

These will be found in Dress Goods Dept. [where we are making Skirts free]. The line is magnificent. We ask you to call and inspect same. You will find the boxes are of all shapes, makes and colors. The contents are as varied as the shapes; in some you find Stationery, others Manicure Sets, Toilet Sets, Glove Boxes, Shaving Sets, Smoking Sets, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Work Boxes, Handkerchief Boxes, etc. The prices are extremely low; they run from 10c to $10, and they'll all be sold.

GAMES, GAMES

Thousands of dollars to be sold in a few days. We have put prices on the goods to do it

Pillow Dex 19c

Dominoes 5c set

Anchor Blocks 19c

Puzzles and all kinds of games for 5c

Parchesi 69c

Travelling Bags and Dress Suit Cases

A bran new line in all the new styles and leathers at prices unprecedented; we commence them at $1.25 and run up to $17.50

Chatelaine Bags

All new shapes, leathers and colorings. The line is beautiful and the prices most reasonable; one in particular at 25c you want to see

BOOKS, BOOKS

Calendars, Booklets, Christmas Cards 1c up

Five Little Peppers at 98c is cheap

Mopey at the same price

Miss Alcott's books for boys and girls 98c

Laura Richard's books 39c to 98c

Blue and Grey series, Around the World, by Oliver Optic, 97c

Miss Burnett's books 98c each

Patsy; buy Patsy for 49c

Birds' Christmas Carol 49c

Kindergarten Stories 69c

Aunty's Elfland 25c

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The Model Speaker, a great book, for 39c

Atomizers, Toilet Sets, Ink Stands and Mirrors

You will find these in our Toilet Dept, 2d aisle left Main Entrance

Toilet Sets, 3 pieces, in celluloid, etc at 69c set and up

Ink stands, a dandy line hand painted pattern, cut glass, etc. We start them at 25c and run to $2.69

Mirrors with easel, French plate glass, all shapes and sizes, from 25c to $5

Atomizers, a rich assortment in all the new tinted, glass and fancy etchings, 25c to $2.47 each

Jewelry, Leather Goods

At 25c we have a superior line of Bar Pins, Earrings, Scarf Pins, warranted Finger Rings, and a beautiful lot of Xmas novelties in Sterling Silver, all for 25c

At 49c our assortment is grand, Sterling Silver Top Side Combs is one of the new things, Broaches, Opera Chains, Neck Chains, Bar Pins

At 69c we will sell for 2 days a solid gold Scarf Pin in a large assortment of designs

At $1 we can surely please you with the exquisite choice that we have. One thing in particular, we mention a solid Gold Ring with Emeralds, Moonstones, Rubies, Pearls and turquoise, at $1, just think of it

Baby Rings a specialty with us, we fit them. See our dainty line at 49c, 75c and $1

Pocketbooks, Bill Books, Card Cases, Letter Cases, Cigar Cases, etc. for 25c and upwards

At $1 we can give the best value you ever saw in Alligator, Seal, Monkey, Bison, Calf, Antelope and Lizard Pocketbooks and combinations.

MADRI GRAS SALE At Bon Marche TODAY.

DOLLS, DOLLS

We have of course no competition on dolls, it's an acknowledged fact that the Bon Marche always leads in this line

Undressed Dolls, a big lot for 5c

Undressed and Dressed Dolls hundreds and hundreds of handsome Dolls for only 10c

At 15c beautiful little Dolls all dressed with crochet hats, they are going quick at 15c

At 25c dressed and undressed Dolls with kid body and otherwise. Oh, my, what a lot of pretty little faces with delicate locks and all for 25c each

At 49c we have Dolls all rigged out; some are brides, some ready for the coming of Santa Claus, others rigged for the street, but all are dainty little people and only 49c each

FANCY BASKETS

A superb line at 5c and upwards

These you will find down stairs in Toy Dept.

Celluloid Novelties

Beautiful goods, the work of patient hands and inventive minds, all nicely and artistically hand painted and put together and finished off with beautiful tinted silk linings. The prices are extraordinarily low and you can secure some of these goods for from 25c to $3 each.

Hand painted Plaques, Bon Bons, Puff Boxes, Vases, etc. A beautiful choice for 25 and 49c

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At 5c a big assortment of Toys in Banks, Microscopes, Tops, Horses, Stoves, 5c

At 10c we have Watches, Banjos, Chimes, Trumpets, Dog and Cart, Doll Bed Sets, etc, 10c

At 25c you will find Jumping Jacks, Wash Sets, Castors, Carts, Rubber Shoe Toys, Blocks, Auto-harps, etc, 25c

At 49c Puzzle Blocks, Building Blocks, Carts, Engines, Trains, Kitchen Sets complete, Guns, Boats, Banjos, Chimes, etc, 49c

China Sets, latest Toy Sets, 19c and upwards

Aluminum and White Metal Novelties.

A gigantic assortment of high art novelties, beautiful in design, splendid workmanship and results for awful small prices.

At 10c you'll be surprised what you can buy. There are Pin Trays, Match Safes, Card Holders, etc., all for your choice, 10c.

At 25c Jewel Cases, Thermometers, Ink Stands, Whisk Holders, Smoking Sets, etc., choice 25c.

At 49c, 69c and 98c, the lines are beyond description. they embrace every conceivable idea you can think of, yet it beggars description. Come and see the goods in our Millinery Department.

IRON TOYS

Every conceivable thing in Iron Toys, even the Ice Cart with the junks of ice, the Printing Press, the Coal Cart with a load of coal, Fire Dept, Train of Cars, both passenger and freight, Hack, Hansoms, Herdicks, etc, at lowest prices we know of, and we always reach rock bottom

Handkerchiefs, Silk Mufflers, Gloves, Men's Neckwear, Blankets, Towels, Table Sets and Dress Goods.

All these make serviceable presents and we are prepared to serve you well. Don't forget skirts made to order free. Everybody Hi for the Mardi Gras at Mitchell's.